

Board Policy S-7: Law Enforcement Access to Students and Student Records



REFERENCES

[Administrative Procedures for Board Policy S-7](#)
[20 U.S.C. §1232g, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act \(FERPA\), 34 CFR Part 99](#)
[Utah Code Ann. §53G-8-402-405, Notification](#)
[Utah Code Ann. §53G-8-701 et seq., School Resource Officers](#)
[Utah Code Ann. §62A-4a-403, Reporting Requirements](#)
[Utah Special Education Rules](#)
[Board Policy S-2: Student Records, Privacy Rights, and Release of Information](#)
[Board Policy S-8: Child Abuse](#)

THE POLICY

The Salt Lake City School District Board of Education complies with all state and federal laws regarding law enforcement access to student records and to students while they are at school. In complying with these laws, the board is committed to protecting students' privacy rights with respect to their education records and their person.

The board welcomes school resource officers (SROs) in its schools. SROs have many functions, including training, counselling, performing outreach, acting as a positive role model, increasing school safety, and performing general law enforcement duties. SROs are not to be involved in matters of routine school discipline. SROs will be involved in responding to incidents when school administrators determine SRO involvement is necessary to address a serious and immediate threat to the physical safety of students, school personnel, or the public. When SROs are investigating alleged crimes for law enforcement agencies, they should be treated as law enforcement officers, not as school employees.

The purpose of this policy is to help secure student, staff, and community safety by encouraging appropriate cooperation between district employees and community law enforcement officials.

The district will set forth its specific processes for implementing this board policy through the accompanying [administrative procedures](#).

No district employee or student shall be subjected to discrimination in employment or any district program or activity on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status. The district is committed to providing equal access and equal opportunity in its programs, services and employment including its policies, complaint processes, program accessibility, district facility use, accommodations and other Equal Employment Opportunity matters. The district also provides equal access to district facilities for all youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United State Codes, including scouting groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries and complaints regarding unlawful discrimination, harassment, and retaliation: Tina Hatch, Compliance and Investigations, 440 East 100 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 578-8388. You may also contact the Office for Civil Rights, Denver, CO, (303) 844-5695.