

RELATIONS WITH POLICE AUTHORITIES

The schools shall cooperate with Police Authorities in the interest of the larger welfare of all citizens. At the same time, schools have the responsibility to parents/guardians for the welfare of the students while they are in the care of the school. It is the responsibility of the administrative staff to protect each student under its control, assuring that his/her legal rights are not violated. To carry out this responsibility, school officials should observe the following:

- 1) A student in school may not be interrogated by any Police Authority without the knowledge of a school official.
- 2) Any interrogation in school of a student by Police Authority must be done in private with an official school representative present and after a parent/guardian has been contacted. Should a good faith effort to contact parents fail, the interrogation may still take place. Parent(s)/guardian(s) are not to be contacted if they are suspected of child abuse and that is being investigated. Additionally, a school official should not be present if the Police Authority or social worker requests a private interrogation in child abuse cases.
- 3) A student may not be released into the custody of persons other than parent or legal guardian except if they are being released into the custody of a Police Authority after having been placed under arrest or in cases authorized by law or policy.
- 4) If a student is removed from the school by a Police Authority, the parents/guardians shall be notified of this action by school officials as soon as possible if the student is a minor.

This policy shall be followed unless it is found contrary to statute or law.

Should any section of this policy be held invalid by operation of law or by any court, enforcement of that section shall be restrained.

Legal Ref.:	Sections	48.19	Wisconsin Statutes
		48.396(1m)	
		48.981	
		118.127	
		118.257	
		118.16	
		118.162	
		946.40	
		946.41	

Cross Ref.: 445, Interrogations
445.1, Searches
454, Child Abuse/Neglect
347.1, Student Records
347.2, Law Enforcement/Court/Social Services Records
445.2, Child Enticement
882.1
882-Exhibit
882.2, Sex Offender Notification
882.2-Exhibit

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