

STUDENTS

Sex Offender Registry Notification

A. Sex Offender Registration Notification

The School Board recognizes the danger sex offenders pose to student safety. Therefore, to protect students while they travel to and from school, attend school or attend or participate in school-related activities, the Superintendent or designee shall request notification of registered sex offenders in the same or contiguous zip codes as any school within the School Division via electronic mail. Such request shall be made in accordance with the procedure established by the Virginia Department of State Police. The information shall be used to screen current or prospective employees or otherwise for the protection of the School Division students. The Superintendent shall receive the registered sex offender information from the Virginia State Police. The Superintendent shall promulgate regulations designed to ensure that this information is provided to the appropriate employees and is used only in accordance with the law.

B. Annual Notification

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents and School Division employees of the provisions of this Policy and the acceptable use of information obtained pursuant to this Policy.

C. Dissemination of Sex Offender Registry Information

The Virginia Beach School Board recognizes that it is the responsibility of local law enforcement officials to notify the community of potential public danger. Therefore, the Superintendent shall not disseminate sex offender registry information to parents. However, the Superintendent shall work closely with local law enforcement officials to determine when and under what circumstances local law enforcement officials will notify the community about the presence of a registered sex offender.

D. Unauthorized Use of Sex Offender Registry Information

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Legal References

Code of Virginia § 22.1-298.1, as amended. Regulations governing licensure.

Code of Virginia § 19.2-390.1, as amended. Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry; maintenance; access.

Code of Virginia § 22.1-296.1, as amended. Data on convictions for certain crimes and child abuse and neglect required; penalty.

Code of Virginia § 22.1-296.4, as amended. Child abuse and neglect data required.

Code of Virginia § 22.1-79, as amended. Powers and duties.

Code of Virginia § 22.1-79.3, as amended. Policies regarding certain activities.

Code of Virginia § 9.1-914, as amended. Automatic notification of registration to certain entities; electronic notification to requesting persons.

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APPROVED AS TO
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