

SECURITY

Security Measures Authorized

The Superintendent, principals, and facility administrators are authorized to take reasonable and lawful measures to protect against personal injury, trespass, vandalism, theft, and like threats to personal safety, property damage, and financial loss to or on Board property or at school functions and activities. The Superintendent should be made aware of any extraordinary or special measures that may be proposed in anticipation of or in response to any unusual security threat or risk (e.g., unusual surveillance, assignment of additional security personnel). Employment of security personnel may be approved in situations where special risks are apparent.

Access Restrictions Authorized

The Superintendent, principals, and facility administrators are authorized to regulate and restrict access to Board schools, buildings, and facilities in order to maintain appropriate security, minimize disruption and distraction within the learning environment, or to avoid a potential risk of harm to a student or employee. To that end, the Superintendent, principals, and facility administrators are authorized to implement building-level requirements and procedures governing access to Board owned or controlled buildings, grounds, property, events, and activities by school and non-school personnel, including family members and relatives, vendors, attorneys, and other visitors, and to adopt “check-in” and “check-out” requirements and procedures for students and employees.

Moreover, the Superintendent, principals, and facility administrators are authorized to order any person to remove himself from Board schools, buildings, facilities, and grounds and, in the event of refusal by such person to vacate such premises, to seek the assistance of law enforcement authorities to remove such person and to secure warrants of arrest for trespassing against person.

After-Hours Access

Access to Board schools, buildings, facilities, and grounds after regular hours is limited to persons whose work requires it or to those to whom access has been granted by the Superintendent, principals, or other facility administrators. Absent any authorized special use, such permission may be given for educational-related activities only.

School Campus Visitors

All visitors are required to secure permission from the principal or other facility administrator before visiting schools (including any classrooms, parts of the school buildings, or school grounds).

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LEGAL REF.: Ala. Code § 16-11-9 (1975); Ala. Code § 16-24B-4 (1975); Ala. Code § 16-11-12 (1975).