[See POLICY ALERT Nos. 218, 228, 236, and 238]

5517 SCHOOL DISTRICT ISSUED STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

The Board of Education recognizes school building security measures are important for the safety and welfare of all students, staff, parents, and community members in school buildings. In recognizing this important responsibility, the Principal or designee may require students to carry a school district issued **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard.

An **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard will be issued to all students in

Choose one or more of the following:

___ all school buildings,

___ elementary schools,

✓ middle schools,

✓ high schools.

[Required for Any Grades Seven Through Twelve

The **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard shall have printed on the back the telephone number for **mental health and suicide crisis resources,** ~~the New Jersey Suicide Prevention Hopeline (NJ Hopeline) and contact information for a crisis text line~~ pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:6-113.1. The district may, in addition to the telephone number for **mental health and suicide crisis resources** ~~the NJ Hopeline and contact information for a crisis text line~~, provide the contact information for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline~~, a school district crisis center,~~ or any other mental health support services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:**6-113.1**~~3B-73.2~~.**]**

The Principal or designee may require a student to present their **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard at any time during the school day or at any time during a school-sponsored activity on school grounds.

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Notwithstanding any provision of this Policy, the Principal or designee may also require students carry their **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard at any school-sponsored, off-campus activity~~,~~ including**,** but not limited to, field trips or interscholastic sports programs pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:36-43**.**a. The provisions of **N.J.S.A. 18A:36-43. and** this Policy shall not be construed to require a student to carry the **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard while participating in an athletic contest or competition, an activity involving fine arts or performing arts, or any other **extracurricular** activity that the Commissioner of Education determines does not require the physical possession of an **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard. An **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard used in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:36-43**.a.** shall include, but need not be limited to, the following information: the student's name**,**~~;~~ an up-to-date photograph**,**~~;~~ and the current school year.

Any student who fails to have the **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard in their possession or fails to present it when required may be denied access to an event or activity and may be subject to appropriate discipline.

An **i**~~I~~dentification **c**~~C~~ard issued in accordance with this Policy shall not be considered a government record pursuant to ~~P.L. 1963, c.73 (~~N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.~~)~~, ~~P.L. 2001, c.404 (~~N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5**.**~~)~~, or the common law concerning access to government records.

N.J.S.A. ~~18A:3B-73.2;~~ 18A:6-113.1**.**; 18A:36-43**.**

Adopted:

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