

SAFE AND ORDERLY LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

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Visitors

The board welcomes and encourages visits to school by parents, other adult residents of the community and interested educators. The following guidelines are established to permit visitors to observe the educational program with minimal disruption:

- A. All visitors must register at the office upon their arrival at school.
- B. All visitors must wear a visitor identification badge provided by each school office during the entire period of visitation.
- C. Visitors whose purpose is to influence or solicit students shall not be permitted on the school grounds unless the visit furthers the educational program of the district.
- D. If the visitor wishes to observe a classroom, the time shall be arranged after the principal has conferred with the teacher.
- E. If the purpose of the classroom visitation is to observe learning and teaching activities, the visitor may be asked to confer with the teacher before or after the observation to enhance understanding of the activities.
- F. The principal may withhold approval if particular events such as testing would be adversely affected by a visit. Similarly, if a visitor's presence becomes disruptive, the principal may withdraw approval. In either case, the principal shall give reasons for the action.

Disruption of School Operations

If any person is under the influence of drugs or alcohol or is disrupting or obstructing any school program, activity, or meeting, or threatens to do so or is committing, threatening to imminently commit or inciting another to imminently commit any act which would disturb or interfere with or obstruct any lawful task, function, process or procedure of any student, official, classified or certificated staff member or invitee of the school district, the superintendent or staff member in charge shall direct the person to leave immediately. If such a person refuses to leave, the superintendent or staff member shall immediately call for the assistance of a law enforcement officer.

Legal Reference:

RCW 28A.635.020 Willfully disobeying school administrative personnel or refusing to leave public property, violations, when--Penalty

RCW 28A.635.030 Disturbing school, school activities, or meetings

RCW 28A.635.090 Interfering by force or violence with any administrator, teacher or student unlawful

RCW 28A.635.100 Intimidating any administrator, teacher or student

RCW 28A.605.020 Parents' access to classroom or school sponsored activities

WAC 180-16-240 Supplemental program standards

WAC 180-44-050 School day as related to the teacher

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