VISITORS/OUTSIDERS

The Governing Board believes that it is important for parents/guardians and community members to take an active interest in the issues affecting district schools and students. The Board encourages parents/guardians and interested members of the community to visit the schools and view the educational program.

To ensure the safety of students and staff and minimize interruption of the instructional program, the Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures which facilitate visits during regular school days. Visits during school hours should be first arranged with the teacher and principal or designee. If a conference is desired, When a visit involves a conference with a teacher or the principal, an appointment should be set with the teacher scheduled during noninstructional time.

The Attorney General (95 Ops.Cal.Att.Gen. 509 (1996)) holds that by directing school authorities to minimize classroom interruptions, Education Code 32212 gives them direction to require media representatives to register and comply with other reasonable restrictions.

A "Visitor" is defined as any person who is not a student or staff member. Visitors shall register immediately upon entering any school building or grounds when school is in session.

To ensure the safety of students and staff and avoid potential disruptions, all visitors shall register immediately upon entering any school building or grounds when school is in session.

For purposes of school safety and security, <u>T</u>the principal or designee may <u>provide</u> design a visible means of identification for <u>all individuals who are not students or staff members</u> visitors while on school premises.

No electronic listening or recording device may be used by students or visitors in a classroom without the teacher and principal's permission. (Education Code 51512)

The Board encourages all individuals to assist in maintaining a safe and secure school environment by behaving in an orderly manner while on school grounds and by utilizing the district's complaint processes if they have concerns with any district program or employee. In accordance with Penal Code 626.7, the principal or designee may request that any individual who is causing a disruption, including exhibiting volatile, hostile, aggressive, or offensive behavior, immediately leave school grounds.

Presence of Sex Offender on Campus

Any person who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Penal Code 290, including a parent/guardian of a district student, shall request written permission from the principal before entering the school campus or grounds. As necessary, the principal shall consult with local law enforcement authorities before allowing the presence of any such person at school or other school activity. The principal also shall report to the Superintendent

or designee anytime he/she gives such written permission.

The principal shall indicate on the written permission the date(s) and times for which permission has been granted. (Penal Code 626.81)

Legal Reference: (see next page)

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EDUCATION CODE

32210 Willful disturbance of public school or meeting

32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes; misdemeanor

32212 Classroom interruptions

35160 Authority of governing boards

35292 Visits to schools (board members)

49091.10 Parental right to inspect instructional materials and observe school activities

51101 Parent Rights Act of 2002

51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device

EVIDENCE CODE

1070 Refusal to disclose news source

LABOR CODE

230.8 Discharge or discrimination for taking time off to participate in child's educational activities

PENAL CODE

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626-626.10 Schools

626.81 Misdemeanor for registered sex offender to come onto school grounds

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627.3 Registration

627.7 Misdemeanors; punishment

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