

RELATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES

GRA
(LOCAL)

CHILD ABUSE
INVESTIGATION

~~LAW ENFORCEMENT
ON CAMPUS~~

~~The following guidelines shall apply when lawful authorities, including law enforcement, not associated with the District seek to interview students or take students into custody at school or school-sponsored events. These guidelines apply regardless of whether the authority's presence has been requested by District officials or has been initiated by the authority itself.~~

~~IDENTITY OF
OFFICER~~

~~When a representative of law enforcement or other lawful authorities arrive, the principal or designee shall verify and record the identity of the officer and ascertain whether the officer's purpose is related to a child abuse investigation by the Department of Family and Protective Services or another lawful authority requests to question or interview a student at school as part of (DFPS) or a designated agency.~~

~~CHILD ABUSE
INVESTIGATIONS~~

~~If the officer's purpose is related to a child abuse investigation by the DFPS or other lawful authority, the principal or designee shall cooperate fully with the official's officer's requests regarding the conditions of thean interview or questioningtaking custody of a minor student.~~

~~OTHER
QUESTIONING OF
STUDENTS
INVESTIGATIONS~~

~~When law enforcement officers or other lawful authorities request to question or interview a student at school for any If the officer's purpose other than a child abuse is related to another type of investigation, the principal or designee shall cooperate with the officer's requests, within the following guidelines shall apply:~~

~~1. The principalparent of a minor student shall verify and record the identity ofbe notified if the officer or other authority and request an explanation ofseeks to interview or take custody of the student.~~

~~2. The officer may be asked to wait to interview or take custody of a minor student until the needstudent's parent can be present, unless the parent agrees that the officer may proceed without the parent's presence. The parent's consent shall be documented in writing.~~

~~3. The officer may be asked to wait or return at a later time to interview or take custody of a student in order to minimize the disruption associated with removing a student from a classroom.~~

~~1. If the officer wishes to question or interview thea student at school.~~

~~2. The principal ordinarily shall make reasonable efforts to notify the student's parent or other person having lawful control of the student. If the interviewer raises what, the principal con-~~

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INTO CUSTODY

siders to be a valid objection to the notification, the parent shall not be notified.

~~4.3.~~ The principal or a designee ordinarily shall~~may~~ be present during the questioning or interview. If the interviewer raises what the principal considers to be a valid objection to a third party's presence, the interview shall be conducted without that person's presence~~interview, unless the student or the parent of a minor student requests otherwise.~~

~~Before~~~~If the officer seeks to take~~ a student at school is arrested or taken into custody by a law enforcement officer or other legally authorized person, the principal ~~or designee~~ shall verify the official's identity. To~~ask and record~~ the best of his or her ability, the principal shall verify the official's~~officer's~~ authority to take custody of~~for tak-~~~~ing~~ the student and then shall deliver over the student.

~~into custody. [See GRA(LEGAL)]~~ The principal shall immediately notify~~inform~~ the Superintendent and ordinarily shall notify the parent or other person having lawful control of the student. If the officer or other authorized person raises what the principal considers to be~~within 48 hours if a student is taken into custody from~~ a valid objection to notifying the parent at that time, the principal shall not notify the parent.

~~5.~~ ~~[See FO for notification requirements by the~~ school~~campus behavior coordinator under Education Code Chapter 37.]~~

~~6.4.~~ ~~If disputes arise regarding an officer's requests or the application of these guidelines, the Superintendent or designee shall attempt to obtain legal counsel for the District as soon as possible.~~