

**Policy**

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**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL EVENTS**

The Somerville Board of Education encourages members of the community to attend athletic and other public events held by the schools of the district. The board directs the superintendent or his or her designee to implement appropriate measures to maintain order and preserve the condition of school facilities during public events.

The board may bar the attendance of any person at a school event whose conduct constitutes a disruption or presents a threat to the safety and wellbeing of individuals attending the event or to school property. The board prohibits gambling, smoking and the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages at any function sponsored by the district.

Residents of the district sixty five years of age or older may be admitted without charge to all school events. The board will honor athletic passes from all districts that are members of conferences in which teams of this district compete and that honor the passes of this district.

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**Key Words**

Athletic Events, Events, Senior Citizen

**Legal References:**

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2C:18-3	Unlicensed entry of structures, defiant trespasser; peering into dwelling places; defenses
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 2C:33-2	Disorderly conduct
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:11-1	General mandatory powers and duties
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:3D-55 <u>et seq.</u>	<u>New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act</u>

**Possible**

<u><b>Cross References:</b></u>	*1250	Visitors
	*3515	Smoking prohibition
	*5131.1	Harassment, intimidation and bullying
	*5142	Student safety
	*5145.11	Questioning and apprehension

\*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.