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## **Students**

## **Agency and Police Interviews**

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to manage requests by agency officials or police officers to interview students at school. Procedures will:

- 1. Recognize individual student rights and privacy
- 2. Recognize the potential impact an interview may have on an individual student,
- 3. Minimize potential disruption
- 4. Foster a cooperative relationship with public agencies and law enforcement, and
- 5. Comply with State Law including, but not limited to ensuring that before a law enforcement officer, school resource officer, or another school security person details and questions on school grounds, a student under 18 years of age who is suspected of committing a criminal act, the Superintendent or designee will:
- a. Notify or attempt to notify the student's parent/guardian and document the time and manner in writing;
- b. Make reasonable efforts to ensure the student's parent/guardian is present during questioning or, if they are not present ensure that school employees (including, but not limited to, a school social worker, psychologist, nurse, counselor, or any other mental health professional) are present during the questioning; and
- c. If practicable, make reasonable efforts to ensure a trained law enforcement officer to promote safe interactions and communications with the student is present during questioning.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.64, 5/22-88.

55 ILCS 80/, Children's Advocacy Center Act.

325 ILCS 5/, Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. et seq.

720 ILCS 5/31-1 et seq., Interference with Public Officers Act.

725 ILCW 120/, Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act.

CROSS REF.: 5:90 (Abused and Neglected Child Reporting), 7:130 (Student rights and Responsibilities), 7:140 (Search and Seizure), 7:190 (Student Behavior)

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