

## **RELATIONS WITH CAMPUS SECURITY MONITOR AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES**

The Board of School Directors recognizes that a cooperative relationship with law enforcement authorities is desirable for the protection of students and staff and in maintaining a safe school environment.

In keeping with RSU 19's mission, the primary roles of the Campus Security Monitors are to:

- Provide support and assistance to the school administration and staff to maintain a safe and constructive learning environment;
- Assist individual students and their families in addressing issues and helping students to have a meaningful school experience; and
- Serve as a liaison between the schools and local law enforcement in addressing issues of concern to both departments.

School administrators and staff have the primary responsibility for maintaining proper order in the schools and for disciplining students for violations of Board policies and school rules. However, the Superintendent and administrators may seek the assistance of the Campus Security Monitor when they believe there is a threat to the welfare and safety of the schools, students and/or staff. The Superintendent and administrators shall inform applicable law enforcement agencies when they have reason to suspect that a student or staff member may have violated a state or federal criminal law.

In general, the Board of Directors discourages law enforcement authorities from using the schools as a venue to arrest and/or question students for activities not related to or affecting the schools. The Superintendent and administrators retain the authority to deny access to students for non-school-related investigations.

Under this policy, Campus Security Monitors are considered to be school officials with legitimate educational interests in reviewing educational records in order to perform their professional responsibilities.

The Board of Directors authorizes the Superintendent to develop administrative procedures to guide interactions between the schools and local law enforcement agencies. Such procedures should safeguard the rights to students and parents and be consistent with the School Board policies. Administrators may also develop appropriate building-level procedures regarding the role and activities of Campus Security Monitors in their schools. All administrative procedures must be consistent with School Board policies and are subject to approval by the Board.

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