

**DODGELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board Policy Manual**

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**STUDENT INTERVIEWS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

The Dodgeland School District recognizes that cooperation with law enforcement agencies is necessary for the education and protection of students, for maintaining a safe environment in the district schools and for safeguarding all school property. At the same time, the district recognizes its responsibility to protect the educational process and to provide for the concerns of parents/guardians regarding the welfare of their children.

Law enforcement officers shall be called to the school when laws may have been violated and in situations which threaten the safety of students, employees and/or the public. In these situations, students may be interviewed by law enforcement officers in accordance with Board policy and established procedures.

Law enforcement-initiated student interviews that are not school-related shall not be conducted on school premises, except in emergencies or as specifically required by law. Law enforcement officers initiating such student interviews shall be requested to comply with district procedures

Reasonable and appropriate attempts shall be made to notify parents/guardians of students interviewed by law enforcement officers.

All student interviews by law enforcement officers conducted on school premises shall receive prior approval of the building principal or designee. If a request for a student interview is denied, the building principal or designee shall state the reason for such denial. Law enforcement officers may appeal decisions made by the building principal or designee to the District Administrator.

This policy and implementing procedures are not applicable when law enforcement officers are investigating allegations of suspected or threatened child abuse or neglect.

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| LEGAL REF: | Section | 48.19        | Wisconsin Statutes |
|            |         | 48.981(3)(c) |                    |
|            |         | 118.125(2)   |                    |
|            |         | 118.257(2)   |                    |
|            |         | 946.40       |                    |
|            |         | 946.41       |                    |

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| CROSS REF: | 445-Rule, Procedures for Student Interviews with Law Enforcement Officers       |
|            | 445-Exhibit, Command to Aid a Law Enforcement Officer                           |
|            | 347-Rule, Guidelines for the Maintenance and Confidentiality of Student Records |
|            | 454, Child Abuse and Neglect  |
|            | 454-Rule, Procedures for Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting                      |
|            | 720, School Safety Program  |
|            | 882, Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies                                    |

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