

VISITORS

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for public visits to the school.

The board encourages parents/guardians of the district to visit classrooms to observe the work of the school. These visitations must be coordinated and approved through the principal of the school.

The board requires that all visitors report to the school office and receive the principal's authorization before visiting anywhere in the building. When parents/guardians have been invited to the school to attend an assembly program, the principal will coordinate the process to include safety and hospitality concerns.

Principals will not permit unauthorized persons in school buildings or on school grounds. Both state law and the school board authorize principals to take appropriate action to prevent unauthorized persons from entering buildings and from loitering on grounds.

School administrators will contact law enforcement personnel to conduct reasonable searches of the person and property of visitors on school premises in which a school safety concern arises.

It is against the law for school administrators or officials to conduct a strip search.

Schools must post notice of the search law at all regular school entrances and any other access point to the school grounds.

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Legal references:

A. S. C. Code, 1976, as amended:

1. Section 16-17-420 - Disturbing school and penalties therefore.
2. Section 59-19-90(5) - Board in control of property of district.
3. Section 59-19-120 - Board may issue regulations governing use of school buildings for other than normal school activity.
4. Section 59-63-110, et. seq. - Search of persons and effects on school property.