



## Board Policy 4310 – Relations with Law Enforcement and Child Protective Agencies

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### BOARD POLICY

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**SUBJECT:** Relations with the Law Enforcement and Child Protective Agencies

The primary responsibility for maintaining proper order and conduct in the schools is that of staff. Staff shall be responsible for holding students accountable for infractions of school rules, which may include minor violations of the law occurring during school hours or at school activities. Where there is substantial threat to the health and safety of students or others such as in the case of bomb threats, mass demonstrations with threat of violence, individual threats of substantial bodily harm, trafficking in prohibited drugs or the scheduling of events where large crowds may be difficult to handle, the law enforcement agency shall be called upon for assistance. Information regarding major violations of the law shall be communicated to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

The Olympic ESD 114 shall strive to develop and maintain cooperative working relationships with the law enforcement agencies.

**LEGAL REFERENCE:** RCW 28A.635.030

**DATE ADOPTED:** October 20, 1988

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## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

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### COMMUNITY RELATIONS

#### Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies

1. A law enforcement officer shall contact the supervising staff member upon entering the school building.
2. An officer may request and be granted such student information as address, telephone number, parents' names, date of birth and attendance information. Information contained in the student's cumulative folder and any supplementary records shall be available for inspection on evidence that a student is the subject of an investigation for a specific offense. The agency shall release records when presented with a subpoena or court order. The agency may release records to law enforcement officers without a subpoena provided that a responsible effort is made to notify the parent in advance of releasing the information.
3. While the agency encourages interrogations of students to take place off school premises, the supervisor shall permit a law enforcement officer to conduct any necessary questioning. The supervisor shall cooperate with the officer while he/she is conducting necessary investigations. The officer shall advise and afford a student the same legal rights as an adult.
4. If a student is under twelve years of age, the agency shall require a parental waiver before allowing the interrogation to take place.
5. An officer is not required to have a warrant in order for the agency to release the student into law enforcement custody. In the event a student is taken into custody by a law enforcement officer the agency will immediately notify the parent or guardian.

#### Relations with Child Protective Agencies

1. A child protective services worker shall contact the supervising staff member entering a school building.
2. A child protective worker may request and be granted such information as address, telephone number, parents' names, date of birth and attendance information. Information contained in the student's cumulative folder and any supplementary records shall be available for inspection on evidence that a student is a ward of the state or that the student is the subject of an investigation involving child abuse or neglect.
3. While the agency encourages interviews of a student to take place off agency premises, the supervising staff member shall permit a child protective worker to conduct any questioning when child abuse or neglect is involved. The supervising staff member and school staff shall cooperate fully during such investigations. Interviews shall be conducted in the presence of a professional staff member.
4. A child protective worker is required to have a warrant in order for the agency to release custody of the student. However, if the child protective worker is accompanied by a law enforcement officer, no warrant shall be required. In the event a student is taken into custody, the agency shall duly notify the parent or guardian.