



## Rationale

Members of the school community can be subject to situations that involve matters related to the custody of students. Confrontational situations may erupt on school property involving persons attempting to exercise custodial rights.

## Policy

Schools will develop procedures to address these potential situations.

## Procedures

1. The principal has the authority to determine who has access to the school grounds and buildings and off-campus school activities, including the authority to limit parents and grandparents from entering the school grounds.
2. The limiting action taken by the principal must be justified based on the facts and circumstances and must be clearly and communicated in advance to whoever is directly affected by the ban and those who may be witnesses.
3. The same letter should be sent to each parent to advise them of the rules of conduct to be observed.
  - a. The letter should indicate the consequences of failure to observe the rule of conduct.
  - b. In the event that either fails to comply, he or she may be banned from the school grounds and activities.
  - c. Where there is a public safety concern, the RCMP may be called to the school to ensure there is no breach of the law.

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