



Rationale

School authorities have a responsibility to co-operate with the police and other civil authorities. They also have responsibilities to students to function *in loco parentis* during school hours. Occasionally circumstances may develop where school officials are asked for permission to interview a student or search the student's locker, personal property or person.

Policy

The school authorities will co-operate with authorized agencies in matters concerning students and officers of the law or social services. School authorities will observe and ensure the utmost confidentiality in matters concerning students and officers of the law or social services.

Procedure

1. Interviews and searches will be conducted in a manner that ensures that the student's rights are protected, providing a private space if necessary.
2. No person except the parent, legal guardian, law enforcement officer, or the Ministry of Social Services shall be permitted to interview a student on the school premises.
3. The school principal must be informed of and help facilitate the student interview.

References:	Date: August 2023
	Revisions: