STUDENTS

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – Interrogations & Searches

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It is the desire of the Board to cooperate with all public agencies operating in the public interest. Law enforcement and other personnel who have a legal right to interview pupils may do so consistent with the District's *Administrative Rules and Regulations*. Parents or guardians shall be notified and give consent prior to the interview except as noted in *Administrative Rules and Regulations*.

The Principal shall comply with a police order for removal of a student from the building. Every attempt should be made by school personnel to notify parents prior to the student's leaving the building.

Student Lockers

Desks and lockers are District property, and school authorities may inspect desks and/or lockers for health and/or safety reasons. When inspections take place, a witness shall be present.

Search for Illegal Drugs

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to request the assistance of law enforcement officials for the purpose of conducting searches of lockers, school grounds and/or District controlled property for illegal drugs, including searches conducted through the use of specially trained dogs. Such searches may include student vehicles parked on District owned or controlled property.

Use of Metal Detectors

The District and law enforcement officials Upon approval and at the invitation of the Superintendent or his/her designee, law enforcement officials may use metal detectors upon entry to conduct mass searches at middle schools, high schools, and or alternative schools selected by the Superintendent or his/her designee. Schools may be selected for periodic random searches using hand-held metal detectors searches based upon information, which reasonably leads District staff to have heightened concern for the safety and security of students and staff. Search areas may include classrooms, corridors, student lockers, restrooms, locker rooms, cafeterias, commons areas, or other areas identified by the district staff. Any such searches shall be conducted in as minimally an intrusive manner as possible.

Notification Regarding Student Accounts or Profiles on Social Networking Websites

State law requires the District to notify students and their parents/guardians that school officials may request or require a student or his or her parent/guardian to provide a password or other related account information to gain access to the student's account or profile on a social networking website. This request may be made only if there is reasonable cause to believe that the student's account contains evidence that he or she violated a school disciplinary rule or Board Policy.

Notification Regarding Student Accounts or Profiles on Social Networking Websites

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and their parents/guardians of each of the following in accordance with the Right to Privacy in the School Setting Act, 105 ILCS 75/:

- School officials may not request or require a student or his or her parent/guardian to provide a
 password or other related account information to gain access to the student's account or profile
 on a social networking website.
- 2. School officials may conduct an investigation or require a student to cooperate in an investigation if there is specific information about activity on the student's account on a social networking website that violates a school disciplinary rule or policy. In the course of an investigation, the student may be required to share the content that is reported in order to allow school officials to make a factual determination.

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