## EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: RELATIONS WITH PARENTS/

**GUARDIANS** 

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## 908. RELATIONS WITH PARENTS/GUARDIANS

1. Purpose Pol. 917<u>, 918</u> The Board believes that the education of students is a joint responsibility that is shared by the parents and guardians. To ensure that the best interests of each student are served in the educational process, a strong program of communication and cooperation between home and school must be maintained and parental involvement encouraged.

2. Authority Pol. 235

The Board feels that it is the parents who have the ultimate responsibility for their children's behavior in school, including the behavior of students who have reached the legal age of majority but are, for all practical purposes, under parental authority.

3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1317 During school hours, the Board acts in loco parentis or in place of the parents, through its designated administrators.

4. Guidelines

Parents/Guardians are requested to keep the school staff apprised of changes in the home situation that may affect a student's conduct or performance.

The Board directs that the following activities be implemented to encourage parentschool cooperation:

Pol. 212

- 1. Parent-teacher conferences to permit two-way communication between home and school.
- 2. Open houses in schools of the school district to provide parents the opportunity to see the school facilities, meet the faculty, and witness school programs. Each school in the school district shall hold an open house at least annually.
- Meetings of parents and staff members to explain and discuss matters of general interest.
- 4. Meetings of staff members and groups of parents of students having special abilities, disabilities, needs, or problems.

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5. Special events of a cultural, ethnic or topical nature that are initiated by parent groups; involve the cooperative effort of students, staff and parents; and are of general interest to the schools or community.

The Board believes that parents have a responsibility to support and encourage their child's career in school through the following actions:

- 1. Require that students comply with school district policies and school rules and regulations and accept responsibility for in-school behavior.
- 2. Send students to school with proper attention to their health, personal cleanliness and dress.
- 3. Maintain an active interest in the student's daily work and provide appropriate supervision for completion of assigned homework.
- 4. Read, sign and return promptly all communications from school, when requested.
- 5. Attend conferences for the exchange of information on the student's progress in school.
- 6. Participate in school activities and special functions.

## References:

School Code—24 P.S. Sec. 1317 Board Policy—212, 235, 917, 918

School Code

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