

# EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: RELATIONS WITH LAW  
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

ADOPTED: August 19, 2002

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Purpose Pol. 204</li> <li>2. Authority</li> <li>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1303-A</li> <li>4. Guidelines</li> </ol>	<p style="text-align: center;">225. RELATIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES</p> <p>It shall be the policy of the Board that cooperation with law enforcement agencies is considered essential for the protection of students and staff, maintaining a safe environment in schools, and safeguarding school district property.</p> <p>The Board recognizes that compulsory attendance laws impose on the Board the custodianship of school district students while they are present in the schools.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall be responsible to develop a memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement officials that establishes guidelines for interaction between schools and law enforcement agencies.</p> <p><u>Interviews</u></p> <p>The school principal may interview students when investigating potential crimes or the presence of illegal items, or reports of potential crimes or the presence of illegal items, committed during school hours or on school property.</p> <p>The evidence of a serious crime, reported to or discovered by the school principal, shall be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officials.</p> <p>The school principal shall share information with law enforcement officials as per Board policy and state and federal regulations.</p> <p>When law enforcement officials request permission to interview a student at school, and when criminal prosecution is contemplated, the school principal shall consider the urgency of the request and will attempt to inform the student's parents.</p> <p>When the school principal has determined that law enforcement officials have a legitimate purpose in interviewing a student within the school, the school principal shall be present throughout the proceedings.</p>
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<p>Pol 226</p>	<p><u>Locker Searches</u></p> <p>The principal shall open a student's locker for inspection on the request of a law enforcement officer only on presentation of a duly authorized search warrant or on the intelligent and voluntary consent of the student.</p> <p><u>Arrests</u></p> <p>When law enforcement officials request permission to arrest a student at school, the school principal shall attempt to inform the student's parents.</p>
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