

Business and Non-Instructional Operations**Sexual Offenders on School Property**

It is the policy of the Board of Education to limit sexual offenders' access to school property. For the purpose of this policy, the term "sexual offender" means any person who is required to register on the state's sex offender registry pursuant to Connecticut General Laws §§54-251, 54-252, 54-253 and 54-254. "School property" includes all Board owned or leased school buildings, grounds, land, facilities, or vehicles.

A. GENERAL PROHIBITION OF SEXUAL OFFENDERS FROM SCHOOL PROPERTY:

Any person who is a sexual offender is prohibited from entering or being present on school property EXCEPT when such persons are:

1. Qualified voters entering the school property for the sole purpose of casting a vote;
2. Attending an open meeting of the Board of Education, the Town of Burlington, the Town of Harwinton, or the Regional District; or
3. Specifically permitted to do so by the order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

B. SEXUAL OFFENDERS WHO ARE PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF STUDENTS:

In addition to the above exceptions, sexual offenders who are parents or guardians of students may also be permitted on school property *with the Superintendent's prior written permission* in the following situations:

1. To transport their child to and/or from school;
2. To attend meetings that they have been invited to by school personnel to discuss their child's progress, placement or educational program (including PPT or 504 meetings);
3. Other specific circumstances as determined by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent shall designate the school personnel who will be responsible for supervising the sexual offender while he/she is on school property.

This policy shall not prevent a parent or guardian from participating in his/her child's PPT or 504 meeting. Nevertheless, sexual offenders who are parents or guardians who want to participate in their child's PPT or 504 meeting must notify the Superintendent of Schools to receive prior written permission to attend such meetings.

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C. SEXUAL OFFENDERS WHO ARE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

When a student who is a sexual offender seeks to enroll in a Region 10 school or a student who is already enrolled becomes a registered sexual offender, the Superintendent of Schools or designee shall develop guidelines for managing the student sexual offender in the district's schools. These guidelines will provide the student with adequate notice of where the student is permitted to be as well as establish the identity of school personnel who are responsible for implementing the guidelines.

D. NOTICE:

Parents and guardians who are sexual offenders shall be provided with a copy of this policy via registered mail.

Sexual offenders who reside in Region 10 will be notified of the relevant content of this policy via registered mail.

The Superintendent of Schools may coordinate notification and implementation of this policy with the appropriate state and federal probation and parole offices.

The Superintendent of Schools shall notify building administrators and other relevant school personnel of the scope of the permission granted to each sexual offender.

E. VIOLATIONS OF THIS POLICY:

The Superintendent of Schools or designee shall report any violations of this policy to local law enforcement and/or probation or parole officers.

Connecticut General Statutes:

§§ 54-250 to 54-261, Registration of Sexual Offenders

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