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Purpose

The Board recognizes that certain written and oral communications between students and school personnel must be confidential.

Authority

The Board directs school personnel to comply with all federal and state laws, regulations and Board policy concerning confidential communications of students.

Guidelines

Information received in confidence from a student may be revealed to the student's parent/guardian, building principal or other appropriate authority by the staff member who received the information when the health, welfare or safety of the student or other persons clearly is in jeopardy. [\[1\]](#)

Use of a student's confidential communications to school personnel in legal proceedings is governed by laws and regulations appropriate to the proceedings. [\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

In qualifying circumstances, a staff member may reveal confidential information to the building principal and other appropriate authorities.

In qualifying circumstances, the building principal may reveal confidential information to a student's parent/guardian and other appropriate authorities, including law enforcement personnel.

Replaces Policy 6008 - Student Conduct, Responsibilities, Rights and Disciplinary Procedures originally adopted September 14, 1981 and revised September 9, 1985, May 12, 1986, August 22, 1988, November 13, 1989, June 25, 1990, September 27, 1993, September 26, 1994, August 26, 1996, July 20, 1998, August 23, 1999, February 26, 2007 and March 23, 2009