

**MOUNT DESERT ISLAND REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
RELATIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE**

The following procedures are intended to guide the involvement of law enforcement authorities in the schools:

- A. Law enforcement officials are encouraged to make regular informal visits to our schools and may enter school premises for official business:
1. In the event of an emergency endangering student or staff safety;
 2. At the request of the Building Principal;
 3. When there is a warrant to arrest a student which cannot be executed outside of school hours. Principals are not obligated to make students or school facilities available to law enforcement for non-school-related investigations/arrests;
 4. In exigent circumstances as authorized by law.
- B. The local school principal shall attempt to contact the student's parents/guardians prior to allowing law enforcement authorities to interrogate, search or arrest a student at school, except when there are reasonable grounds to believe that a health or safety emergency requires the interrogation, search or arrest to take place without prior notice.
- C. Law enforcement authorities are responsible for ensuring that a student is informed of his/her rights prior to an interrogation, search or arrest conduct by law enforcement authorities.
- D. A student may be removed from school by law enforcement authorities when there is a court order, an arrest warrant or when a warrantless arrest is authorized by law. Principals shall attempt to notify the student's parents/guardians as soon as possible of the student's removal from school.
- E. Principals shall release student information to law enforcement authorities only as allowed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

Cross Reference: JRA - Student Records

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