

Safe and Orderly Learning Environment

Visitors

The Edmonds School District Board of Directors welcomes and encourages visits to school by parents/guardians, community members, and interested educators provided arrangements have been made in advance with the principal or appropriate district administrator. The superintendent will establish guidelines governing school visits to insure orderly operation of the educational process and the safety of students and staff. Such visits shall not disrupt classroom procedures, learning activities or other district functions.

The Edmonds School District believes that a safe, civil environment is essential to maximize student learning and staff achievement, and to the free exchange of ideas central to a quality educational process. This policy seeks to promote a school culture of respect and civility, and is not intended to deprive any person of his/her right to freedom of expression, but to maintain a safe, harassment-free workplace for our students and staff.

In the interest of presenting District employees as positive role models to our students and community, the Superintendent shall develop procedures for implementing a policy that encourages positive communications from the public and discourages volatile, hostile or aggressive speech, actions, or other means of communication.

Contacts with Staff

The learning environment and the staff's time for students will be free from interruption. Except in emergencies, staff will not be interrupted in their work.

Certificated staff will be available for consultation with students and community members at designated times during their contracted work day. Students and community members are urged to make appointments with staff to assure an uninterrupted conference.

No one will solicit funds or conduct private business with staff on school time and premises.

Disruption of School Operations

The superintendent or staff member in charge will direct a person to leave immediately if any person is:

- A. Under the influence of controlled substances, including marijuana (cannabis) or alcohol;
or
- B. Is disrupting or obstructing any school program, activity, or meeting; or
- C. Threatens to do so or is committing, threatening to imminently commit; or

- D. Inciting another to imminently commit any act which would disturb or interfere with or obstruct any lawful task, function, process or procedure (of any student, official, classified or certificated staff member or invitee) of the school district.

If such a person refuses to leave, the superintendent or staff member will immediately call for the assistance of a law enforcement officer.

Cross References

3510 - Associated Student Bodies

3124 - Removal-Release of Student During School Hours

4201 – Civility

Legal References

RCW 28A.605.020 - Parents' access to classroom or school sponsored activities — Limitation

RCW 28A.635.020 - Willfully disobeying school administrative personnel or refusing to leave public property, violations, when — Penalty

RCW 28A.635.030 - Disturbing school, school activities, or meetings — Penalty

RCW 28A.635.090 - Interfering by force or violence — Penalty

RCW 28A.635.100 - Intimidating any administrator, teacher, classified employee, or student by threat of force or violence unlawful — Penalty

20 U.S.C. 7908 - No Child Left Behind Act, Military Recruiter Provision

Management Resources:

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