

## NOTIFICATION OF SEX OFFENDERS

The Board of Education acknowledges the efforts of local law enforcement to inform the district when persons with a history of sex offenses against children are being paroled or have moved into the community. The purpose is to notify schools and other vulnerable entities of the possible danger within their community. As part of its duty to protect students under its care, the district shall cooperate with the police and other law enforcement agencies in this endeavor.

The Board directs the Superintendent of Schools to ensure the dissemination of any identifying information provided by the local law enforcement agency to pertinent staff including Building Principals, staff who issue visitors' passes, bus drivers, custodians, playground monitors, security personnel, and coaches. All other staff members are to be informed of the availability of the information. Staff members shall check with their supervisor if they observe any suspicious person(s) in an area where children congregate, and shall be directed to contact local law enforcement agencies, if a paroled sex offender is so observed.

The Board also directs the Superintendent of Schools to notify parents of students and other members of the community about such releases and remind them of the security measures and personal safety instruction provided at school.

All requests for information provided by any law enforcement agency must be directed to the district's Freedom of Information Law Records Access Officer.

The Superintendent shall establish any necessary regulations for implementing this policy with the advice of the school attorney.

Cross-ref: 1120, School District Records  
5300, Code of Conduct

Ref: 42 U.S.C. §1407(D)  
Correction Law, Article 6-C  
*Doe v. Pataki* \_120 F.3d 1263(2<sup>nd</sup> Cir. 1997), *cert denied*, 522 U.S., 1122 (1998)  
*Shante D. v. City of New York*, 83 NY2d 948 (1994)  
*Mirand v. City of New York*, 84 NY2d 44 (1994)  
*Stoneking v. Bradford Area S.D.*, 882 F.2d 720 (2d Cir. 1989)  
Update on the Status of Sex Offender Registration and Community Notification Laws,  
Memorandum to Superintendents of Schools from Executive Director, NYS Council of School  
Superintendents, November 3, 1995

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