SCOTLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION Board Policy

Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies

The Board recognizes that district-wide cooperation with law enforcement agencies is essential for the protection of staff and students, for maintaining a safe environment in the Scotland Elementary School and for safeguarding district property.

Programs and activities designed to enrich district curriculum and to develop and promote good citizenship and a healthy attitude toward law enforcement agencies and officials will be encouraged by the district. Law enforcement participation in such programs and activities is encouraged.

Law enforcement officials may enter school facilities if a crime has been committed on district property or to investigate matters concerning staff and students upon request initiated by either agency officials or by district administrators. Administrators have the responsibility and the authority to determine when the presence and assistance of law enforcement officers is necessary.

The Superintendent will develop administrative regulations to implement this policy, including procedures for handling investigations, administrator requests for assistance and required referrals to law enforcement agencies. The District administrators shall at all times act in a manner which protects and guarantees the rights of students and parents/guardians and shall cooperate with law enforcement officials as provided in administrative regulations.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-221 Boards of education to prescribe rules.

53a-185 Loitering in or about school grounds: Class C Misdemeanor

54-76j Disposition upon adjudication as youthful offender.