UPSD Policy: 4200 Section: 4000 - Community Relations

Parent Access and Safe and Orderly Learning Environment

Communication with Instructional Staff

The learning environment and the staff's time for students will be free from interruption- except in emergencies. Every effort will be made to avoid interruptions to student learning time and classroom lessons/activities.

Staff members are not available to parents at all times due to the requirements of their positions. Messages can be left for instructional staff via voicemail, email or with office staff during the instructional day. Staff will return messages at a later time when they are available. Staff will not be removed from the classroom during instructional time, unless there is an emergency or other special circumstance.

Certificated staff will be available for consultation with students, parents and guardians during their normal work day at times mutually agreeable to both parties, except when those times conflict with classroom instruction. Parent meetings should be scheduled, whenever possible, during times that will not take a teacher away from daily teaching duties. Students, parents and guardians are expected to make appointments with staff to assure the availability of the staff member and an uninterrupted conference.

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

Classroom Visits by Parents

The board welcomes visits to school by parents/guardians when this can be done without disrupting student learning and/or creating safety risks for students. Parents may access their child's classroom as well as school sponsored activities for purposes of observing class procedure, teaching, and/or class conduct. However, observations must be coordinated in advance and may not distract students or the teacher from their duties, disrupt the classroom or interrupt the learning activity.

Teaching materials are also available for review by parents/guardians. Appointments should be made, in advance, outside of instructional time to avoid disruption to the learning environment.

The superintendent or designee will establish guidelines governing school visits to ensure orderly operation of the educational process and the safety of students and staff.

Disruption of School Operations

The Principal, Assistant Principal and/or other staff member in charge will direct a person to leave a school or district property immediately if any person is:

- A. Under the influence of controlled substances, including marijuana (cannabis) or alcohol; or
- B. 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 Principal, Assistant Principal and/or staff member in charge 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

Legal References:

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

RCW 28A.635.020 - Wilfully 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 - Interference 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 - Armed Forces recruiter access to students and

student recruiting information

Management Resources:

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