

SCHOOL VISITORS

Generally

Visitors are welcome in the schools as long as their presence is not disruptive. Upon arriving at a school, all visitors must report to the administrative office. Potential visitors, including parents, who are registered sex offenders, should consult Policy KN Sex Offender Registry Notification and Policy KNA Violent Sex Offenders on School Property before arriving at school property or school sponsored activities. The school division expects mutual respect, civility, and orderly conduct from all individuals on school property and at school events. Unauthorized persons, including suspended and expelled students, will be requested to leave school grounds by the building administrator. Unauthorized persons who fail to leave the school grounds or school activity as requested will be considered trespassers. The School Board authorizes the superintendent to take all necessary actions regarding the safety, order and preservation of the educational environment on School Board property or at school division sponsored activities. Law enforcement may be called to enforce this policy.

Anyone, including students, who enters a school at nighttime without the consent of an authorized person except to attend an approved meeting or service or who enters or remains on any school property, including school buses, in violation of (i) any direction to vacate the property by an authorized individual or (ii) any posted notice which contains such information, posted at a place where it reasonably may be seen may be prosecuted.

Parents

Parents are encouraged to visit the schools on scheduled days for conferences with teachers, assemblies, PTA meetings, volunteer service, and other school programs. Noncustodial parents are not denied, solely on the basis of their noncustodial status, the opportunity to participate in any of the student's school or day care activities in which such participation is supported or encouraged by the policies of the School Board.

Board Members

Periodically, board members may visit schools within the division. The purpose of these visits is to maintain contact with building employees and increase understanding of actual educational practices. School Board members follow the same procedures applicable to all other visitors when visiting a school.

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LEGAL REFERENCES: Code of Virginia, as amended, §§ 18.2-128; 18.2-415, 22.1-4.3, 22.1-79.

CROSS REFERENCES

DJG	Vendor Relations
ECA	Inventory and Reporting of Loss or Damage
IGBC	Title I Parental Involvement Policy
KGB	Public Conduct on School Property
KN	Sex Offender Registry Notification
KNA	Violent Sex Offenders on School Property
KP	Parental Rights and Responsibilities