

Policy

VISITORS

The board welcomes visits to school by parents/guardians, board members, other adult residents of the community and interested educators, when they fit into the classroom or school routine. In order for the educational program to continue undisturbed when visitors are present, and to prevent the intrusion of disruptive persons into the schools, the chief school administrator shall devise regulations addressing access, monitoring and control of visitors to the school.

All visitors shall be required to report to the principal's office upon entering the building.

A "visitor" is anyone other than a pupil enrolled in or a staff member employed in the particular school. Visitors may not consult with the teaching staff or pupils during class time without the principal's permission.

When the parental rights of a parent have been terminated by a court of appropriate jurisdiction, the legal guardian must inform the school so that the administration may apply appropriate regulations. The principal shall seek confirmation of legal custodianship where necessary.

No one may visit the school during school hours for the purpose of recommending or exhibiting books, maps, etc., to staff. No person shall be allowed to deliver any address or lecture on any subject unless authorized by the chief school administrator or designee.

All visitors to the schools must obey regulations prohibiting smoking and any other regulations designed to ensure orderly operation of the school. All persons violating this policy shall be considered "disorderly persons" and subject to appropriate action.

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Key Words

Visits to the Schools, Visitors

Legal References:	<u>N.J.S.A. 2C:18-3</u>	Unlicensed entry of Structures, defiant trespasser; peering into dwelling places; defenses
	<u>N.J.S.A. 2C:33-2</u>	Disorderly conduct
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1</u>	General mandatory powers and duties
	<u>N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20</u>	Powers of board (county vocational schools)
	<u>N.J.S.A. 26:3D-55 et seq.</u>	New Jersey Smoke-Free Air Act

Possible

Cross References:	*1220	<u>Ad hoc</u> advisory committees
	*3327	Relations with vendors
	*3515	Smoking prohibition
	*4131/4131.1	Staff development; inservice education/visitations/conferences
	*5020	Role of parents/guardians
	*5124	Reporting to parents/guardians
	*5125	Pupil records
	*5142	Pupil safety

VISITORS (continued)

- *5145.11 Questioning and apprehension
- *6144 Controversial issues
- *9010 Role of the member

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.