Palmyra Area School District

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: STUDENTS AND THE

POLICE

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1. Purpose

The Board recognizes that compulsory attendance laws impose on the Board the custodianship of the public school children of the district while they are present in the schools.

2. Authority

When police request permission to interview/interrogate a student at school, the principal shall

inform the Superintendent;

determine why such interrogation could not occur at the student's home; and

inform the student's parents.

Whenever the Superintendent or his/her designee has determined that the police have a legitimate purpose in interviewing/interrogating a child on a non-school related matter within the confines of a school building, if circumstances substantiate a non-arrest of the child, and parental permission has been granted, the child may waive the right to have a district representative (the principal or his/her designee) be present throughout the proceedings.

When the police request permission to arrest a student at school, the principal shall:

inform the Superintendent;

inform the student's parents; and

request and inspect the arrest warrant.

No child shall be released to police authorities without proper warrant, appropriate evidence or written parental permission, except in the event of

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emergency or for the protection of life or property as determined by the principal.
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