# Palmyra Area School District

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: RELATIONS WITH

**PARENTS** 

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#### 908. RELATIONS WITH PARENTS

1. Purpose

The Board believes that the education of children is a joint responsibility, one it shares with the parents of the school community. To insure that the best interests of the child are served in this process, a strong program of communication between home and school must be maintained.

2. Authority

SC 1317

The Board feels that it is the parents who have the ultimate responsibility for their children's in-school behavior, including the behavior of pupils who have reached the legal age of majority, but are still for all practical purposes, under parental authority. During school hours, the Board through its designated administrators acts in loco parentis or in place of the parents.

3. Guidelines

The Board directs that the following activities be implemented to encourage parent-school cooperation:

#### Parent-Teacher Contact

Teachers, while engaged in assigned instructional duties, shall not be interrupted by parents or visitors, either by telephone calls or personal contacts, except in emergencies.

## Parent-Teacher Organizations

Administrators and teachers are urged to cooperate with the officers of parentteacher organizations in order to develop a closer relationship and better understanding between parents, teachers and pupils.

Parent-teacher organizations shall be considered school related and are, therefore, exempt from payment of rental fees for the use of school facilities for regular meetings. When approved by the Superintendent, the organization may use the name of the District or building to identify it and to promote its

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programs. Student and Parent Rights: The following rights are granted to all students and parents in the Palmyra Area School District. The students and parents have the right... - to considerate and respectful treatment - to obtain complete, current information concerning student progress - to expect that all communications and records pertaining to his/her file should be treated as confidential - to know the district rules and regulations that apply to his/her conduct as a student - to fair and equitable treatment - to knowledge of performance expectations - to not be humiliated or belittled in or out of class - to request information on the certification of their children's teachers. School Code 1317