

# MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: RELATIONS WITH LAW  
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

ADOPTED: April 13, 2011

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<p>1. Purpose Pol. 204</p> <p>2. Authority</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility SC 1303-A</p> <p>4. Guidelines</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">225. RELATIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES</p> <p>The Board recognizes that compulsory attendance laws impose on the Board the custodianship of district students while they are present in the schools.</p> <p>It shall be the policy of the Board that cooperation with law enforcement agencies is considered essential for protecting students and staff, maintaining a safe environment in schools, and safeguarding district property.</p> <p>The Board also recognizes the need for district personnel and law enforcement agencies to cooperate in matters of mutual concern.</p> <p>The district shall encourage programs and activities designed to enrich district curriculum and to develop and promote good citizenship and a respectful attitude toward law enforcement officials.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible to develop a memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement officials that establishes guidelines for when law officials will be called to school and the actions that will follow.</p> <p><u>Interrogations</u></p> <p>When police request permission to interrogate a student at school, the principal shall inform the Superintendent, determine why such interrogation could not occur at the student's home, and attempt to inform the student's parents/guardians.</p> <p>Whenever the Superintendent or designee has determined that the police have a legitimate purpose in interrogating a student within the school building, the principal or a representative shall be present throughout the proceedings.</p> <p><u>Arrests</u></p> <p>When the police request permission to arrest a student at school, the principal shall inform the Superintendent, attempt to inform the student's parents/guardians, and request and inspect the arrest warrant.</p>
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No student shall be released to police authorities without proper warrant and appropriate evidence or written parental permission, except in the event of emergency or for the protection of life or property, as determined by the principal.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1303-A

Board Policy – 204