Interviews of Students by Outside Agencies

Generally, students may not be interviewed during the school day by persons other than parents, District officials (including contracted service providers), and employees.

Requests to interview students, including law enforcement requests, are made through the principal/designee. It is the responsibility of the principal/designee to determine whether the request will be granted. Generally, prior to granting a request, the principal/designee will attempt to contact the parents to inform them of the request and to ask them to be present.

If a DHS Child Protection Worker requests to interview a student as part of an investigation, the principal/designee will defer to the investigator's judgment as to whether the student should be interviewed independently from the student's parents, whether the school is the most appropriate setting for the interview, and who will be present during the interview.

Students will not be taken from school without the consent of the principal/designee and/or without proper warrant.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 232 & 280.17

281 Iowa Administrative Code 102

441 Iowa Administrative Code 9.2; 155; 175

1980 Op. Att'y Gen. 275

Cross Reference: Regulation 605.2

Procedure 605.2a

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