VISITORS/OUTSIDERS

The Superintendent or designee shall post at every entrance to each school and school grounds a notice setting forth visitor registration requirements, hours during which registration is required, the registration location, the route to take to that location, and the penalties for violation of registration requirements. (Education Code 32211; Penal Code 627.6)

Unless otherwise directed by the principal or designee, a staff member shall accompany visitors while they are on school grounds.

Outsider Registration

Outsiders shall register upon entering school premises during school hours. Any person other than the following is considered an outsider: (Evidence Code 1070; Penal Code 627.1, 627.2)

- 1. A student of the school, unless currently under suspension
- 2. A parent/guardian of a student of the school
- 3. A Governing Board member or district employee
- 4. A public employee whose employment requires being on school grounds, or any person who is on school grounds at the school's request
- 5. A representative of a school employee organization who is engaged in activities related to the representation of school employees
- 6. An elected public official
- 7. A publisher, editor, reporter or other person connected with or employed by a newspaper, magazine, other periodical, radio station or television station

Registration Procedure

In order to register, a visitor shall, upon request, furnish the principal or designee with the following information: (Penal Code 627.3)

- 1. His/her name, address and occupation
- 2. His/her age, if less than 21
- 3. His/her purpose for entering school grounds
- 4. Proof of identity
- 5. Other information consistent with the provisions of law

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Principal's Registration Authority

The principal or designee may refuse to register any visitor if he/she reasonably concludes that the visitor's presence or acts would disrupt the school, students, or employees; would result in damage to property; or would result in the distribution or use of a controlled substance. The principal or designee or school security officer may revoke a visitor's registration if he/she has a reasonable basis for concluding that the visitor's presence on school grounds would interfere or is interfering with the peaceful conduct of school activities or would disrupt or is disrupting the school, students or staff. (Penal Code 627.4)

The principal or designee may request that a visitor who has failed to register, or whose registration privileges have been denied or revoked, promptly leave school grounds. When a visitor is directed to leave, the principal or designee shall inform the visitor that if he/she reenters the school within seven days he/she will be guilty of a misdemeanor subject to a fine and/or imprisonment. (Penal Code 627.7)

Appeal Procedure

Any person who is denied registration or whose registration is revoked may appeal to the Superintendent or principal by submitting, within five days after the person's departure from school, a written request for a hearing. This request must state why he/she believes the denial or revocation was improper and must provide an address to which the hearing notice may be sent. Upon receipt of the request for a hearing, the Superintendent or principal shall promptly mail a notice of the hearing to the person requesting it. A hearing before the Superintendent or principal shall be held within seven days after receipt of the request. (Penal Code 627.5)

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