

North Orange County Regional Occupational Program
QUESTIONING AND APPREHENSION BY LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL
ROP BP 5145.11

Policy

Students

Law enforcement officers have the right to interview and question students on school premises. When such an interview is requested, the instructional administrator or designee shall ascertain the officer's identity, official capacity, and the authority under which he/she acts. If the officer needs to interview or question the student immediately, the instructional administrator or designee shall accommodate the process in a way that causes the least possible disruption to the ROP class, gives the student appropriate privacy, and models exemplary cooperation with community law enforcement authorities.

Except in cases of child abuse or neglect, the instructional administrator or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of a minor student when a law enforcement officer requests an interview on school premises.

At the law officer's discretion and with the student's approval, the instructional administrator or designee may be present during the interview.

If the law officer finds it necessary to remove the student from school, the instructional administrator or designee shall first ascertain the reason for such action. Upon releasing a student who is a minor, the instructional administrator or designee shall immediately attempt to inform the student's parent/guardian.

Personnel responsible for releasing a student from school custody shall exercise extreme diligence to prevent such release to any unauthorized or unidentified person.

Subpoenas

Although subpoenas may legally be served at school, the Board believes that serving officials should be strongly urged to serve subpoenas at the home of the student whenever possible. In these situations, steps should be taken to ensure a minimum of embarrassment or loss of class time for the student.