

## **NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE OF SEX OFFENDERS**

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility for the health and safety of the students enrolled within the district and for those youngsters receiving services or participating in programs or events on school district property. In light of that responsibility, the Board wishes to take appropriate precautionary measures in situations where the district has been advised by law enforcement officials that a convicted sex offender resides within the district's geographic boundaries.

Where school officials are advised by the Nassau County Policy Department that an individual convicted of a sexual offense resides within the school district, the district shall give notice in accordance herewith in order to minimize the possibility that the released sex offender will come into contact with school-age children. Furthermore, the district determines that cooperation with local law enforcement officials will best promote and protect the safety and well-being of its students.

It is a policy of the Board that whenever information is received from local law enforcement officials under the Sex Offender Registration Act, that a Level 2 or Level 3 registered convicted sex offender is residing within the school district, that information shall be disseminated to Building Principals and appropriate central office administrators. Principals shall share such information with appropriate building personnel.

In addition, the Superintendent of Schools or designee shall make notification information available upon request and shall inform parents/guardians of the availability of the Parents for Megan's Law (PFML) Sex Offender Email Alert Program via a postal patron mailing, at new student registrations, and via postings in the district calendar, newsletter and website. Further, the Superintendent or designee reserves the right to further disseminate such information to individuals or groups who, in the opinion of the Superintendent, have a legitimate need to be notified of such information.

Any individual receiving notice hereunder shall inform appropriate school officials if they observe on school property any individual whose description matches that of a released sex offender.

Community residents shall also be reminded of the security measures and personal safety instruction provided at school. All staff requests for information provided by the law enforcement agencies shall be directed to the Building Principal. Requests for information from community residents shall be directed to the District Clerk.

The Superintendent shall establish any necessary regulations for implementing this policy with the advice of the school attorney.

This policy shall be disseminated at least once a year to all district residents.

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Ref: 42 U.S.C. §1407(d)  
Correction Law, Article 6-C (Sex Offender Registration Act)  
*Doe v. Pataki*, 3 F.Supp.2d 456 (SDNY 1998) (current injunction)  
*Doe v. Pataki*, 12 0 F.3d 1263 (2d. Cir. 1997), *cert. denied*, 522 U.S. 1122 (1998)

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