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The Governing Board believes that it is important for parents/guardians and community members to take an active interest in the issues affecting district schools and students. Therefore, the Board encourages interested parents/guardians and community members to visit the schools and participate in the educational program consistent with this Board policy, and any procedures established by the Superintendent or designee.

To ensure the safety of students and staff and minimize interruption of the instructional program, the Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures which facilitate visits during regular school days. Visits during school hours shall be arranged with the Superintendent or designee at least 24 hours in advance. If a visitor other than the student's guardian is observing, the guardian must sign a *Release of Information* prior to the visit.

Any person who is not a student or staff member shall register immediately as a visitor upon entering any school building or grounds when school is in session. The visitor will also be escorted to the classroom during the observation and the observation will be no longer than 30 minutes.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide a visible means of identification for all individuals who are not students or staff members while on school premises.

No electronic listening or recording device may be used by any person in a classroom without the teacher's and Superintendent's permission. (Education Code 51512)

Any visitor who is in a school building or on school grounds when school is in session shall behave in an orderly manner while on school grounds and by utilizing the district's complaint process if they have concerns with any district program or employee. In accordance with Penal Code 626.7.