# UPPER BUCKS COUNTY AREA VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: RELATIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

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## 225. RELATIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

1. Purpose
Pol. 204

The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that compulsory attendance laws impose on the Joint Operating Committee the custodianship of students while they are present in the school.

2. Authority

It shall be the policy of the Joint Operating Committee that cooperation with law enforcement agencies is considered essential for protecting students and staff, maintaining a safe environment in school, and safeguarding property.

3. Delegation of Responsibility
SC 1303-A

The Administrative Director or designee shall be responsible to develop a memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement officials that establishes guidelines for when law officials will be called to school and the actions that will follow.

4. Guidelines

Law Enforcement Interviews

When police request permission to interview a student at school, the building administrator shall inform the Administrative Director and attempt to inform the student's parents/guardians.

Whenever the Administrative Director or designee has determined that the police have a legitimate purpose in interviewing a student within the school building, the building administrator or a representative shall be present throughout the proceedings.

Arrests

When the police request permission to arrest a student at school, the administration will be notified, and the credentials of the law enforcement personnel will be authenticated. The administration or designee will attempt to notify the student’s parents/guardians of the arrest.

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| | References:<br><br>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1303-A<br><br>Joint Operating Committee Policy – 204 |