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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
PARMA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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SCHOOL VISITORS

The Board of Education welcomes visits to school by parents, other adult residents of the community and interested educators. In order for the educational program to continue undisturbed when visitors are present and to prevent the intrusion of disruptive persons into the schools, it is necessary to enforce visitor parameters.

The superintendent/principal or designee has the authority to prohibit the entry of any person to a school of this District or to expel any person when there is reason to believe the presence of such person would be detrimental to the good order of the school. If such an individual refuses to leave the school grounds or creates a disturbance, the administrator is authorized to request from the local law enforcement agency whatever assistance is required to remove the individual.

The superintendent shall develop such administrative guidelines as are necessary for the protection of students and employees of the District from disruption to the educational program or the efficient conduct of their assigned tasks.

To ensure that no unauthorized persons enter buildings, all visitors to schools will report to the school office when entering to receive authorization before visiting elsewhere in the building. Rules regarding entry of persons other than students, staff and faculty upon school grounds or premises shall be posted at or near the entrance of such grounds or premises if there are no formal entrances, and at the main entrance to each school building. In addition, the rules shall be posted in a central location in each school and made available to students, upon request. Classroom visits must be scheduled at least two (2) school days in advance. While reasonable efforts will be made in scheduling classroom visits, the building administrator will exercise discretion to ensure no disruption to the educational process.

R.C. 2911.21

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**EQUIVALENT EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE SCHOOLS
HOME SCHOOLING**

The Superintendent may excuse from compulsory school attendance, for not more than one school year at a time, any school-age child who is being instructed at home in accordance with the State Board rules in the Ohio Administrative Code and Ohio Revised Code.

R.C. 3321.03, 3321.04
A.C. 3301-34

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RELATIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS

It is the policy of the Board that strong lines of communication be maintained by the District with other districts and with institutions and organizations which provide District students with programs, training, or services not available in the District.

R.C. 3315.09, 3317.63

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STAFF/STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Board recognizes that the local community offers many programs and events that provide learning experiences which are not available in the schools and which can help students become more literate, cultured, and productive human beings.

The Board seeks to maintain continuing communication with those groups and organizations that enrich the life of the community and authorizes the Superintendent to cooperate with the leaders of the organizations both by making District facilities available and by ensuring that members of the staff and student body are made aware of the benefits that can be derived from education-related activities of the groups. Further, the Board encourages members of the staff to make their many talents and specialized knowledge available, as time permits, to enhance the quality of such educational activities in the community.

To avoid exploiting the educational program for noneducational purposes, the Superintendent shall establish the necessary Administrative Guidelines to govern the participation of performing and visual arts groups.

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RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

It is the policy of the Board that students, staff members, and District facilities not be used for advertising or promoting the interests of any nonschool agency or organization, public or private, without the approval of the Board or its delegated representative; and any such approval, granted for whatever cause or group, shall not be construed as an endorsement of said cause or group by this Board.

Any request from civic institutions, charitable organizations, or special interest groups which involve such activities as patriotic functions, contests, exhibits, sales of products to and by students, sending promotional materials home with students, graduation prizes, fund raising, and free teaching materials must be carefully reviewed to ensure that such activities promote student interests without advancing the special interests of any particular group.

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