



LC - RELATIONS WITH EDUCATION RESEARCH AGENCIES AND INDIVIDUALS

Requests to conduct educationally and socially beneficial research shall be reviewed by the Assistant Superintendent of School Services in accordance with this policy and its accompanying regulations to determine if permission shall be granted.

If research by non-school personnel is to involve students and/or interrupt class instruction time, complete information about the project shall be provided to parents/guardians and students in advance. No student shall be the subject of any research project without the prior written consent of the student's parents/guardians and the student if the student is old enough to understand the process and purpose of the project.

Researchers shall be prepared to explain the purpose, risks, benefits, procedures, results and intended uses of the project in understandable terms. A student's or parent's/guardian's decision not to participate in a research project conducted by non-school personnel shall be kept private and respected in all cases.

FEDERALLY-FUNDED RESEARCH OR EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS

As part of any applicable federal program, students without prior written consent shall not be required to submit to a survey, analysis or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

1. political affiliations,
2. mental and psychological problems potentially embarrassing to the student or the student's family,
3. sex behavior and attitudes,
4. illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating and demeaning behavior,
5. critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships,
6. legally-recognized privileged and analogous relationships such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers, or
7. income other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program.

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CROSS REFS.:
GCS, Professional Research and Publishing
JLDAC, Screening/Testing of Students