YOUTH SERVICES

This regulation sets forth procedures governing referral of students to youth-serving agencies, sending school reports to social agencies, and for on-campus counseling of students by youth-serving agencies during school hours.

Release of Student Information

Written consent of parent, guardian, or student eighteen or over is required prior to release of any student information to any nondistrict organization, agency, or individual (see attached Exhibit, "Release of Information" form). Any party receiving student information pursuant to this regulation must certify that the information will not be used for any purpose other than that authorized.

Referrals

Referrals to any nondistrict organization, agency or individual may be made by school counselors and/or nurses after evaluating student and family needs with the student and parent/guardian. Appropriate referrals may be made when it has been determined that such services would be in the best interest of the student.

When referrals to outside agencies are provided, the district shall identify at least three possible service providers whenever possible, but no specific provider shall be recommended. Referrals are suggestions only and district staff shall not require families to seek outside professional services.

Probation interns and interns of other nondistrict approved youth-serving agencies may not counsel students on campus unless the approved agent is present.

The Principal or designee shall refer the student to a school counselor for identification of appropriate services. The school counselor shall refer the student to a school nurse if the major cause of concern is health-related. In cases of emergency, the Principal or designee shall call the San Diego Police Department or Fire Department.

The school counselor or nurse shall counsel the student and, when appropriate, the student's parent/guardian, and may confer with appropriate school personnel to evaluate the case and determine appropriate referrals for the student and/or family. The counselor/nurse shall obtain written consent from the student's parent/guardian before discussing the status of a particular concern or its resolution with nondistrict service providers.

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