

# SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Section SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS

Policy Name INTERVIEWING STUDENTS

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## POLICY

The Superior-Greenstone District School Board acknowledges its responsibility to act in the best interests of a student in the absence of his/her their parent(s) or guardian(s).

## DEFINITIONS

**“In Loco Parentis”**– The legal doctrine under which an individual assumes parental rights, duties, and obligations without going through the formalities of legal adoption.

## PROCEDURES

### 1.0 Contacting Parent

Before a student, who is a minor, is interviewed at the school by any outside authority (i.e. police), the prior consent of a parent or guardian must be sought.

### 2.0 In Loco Parentis

Where a parent or guardian cannot be contacted to obtain this consent, it should be insisted that the Principal, Vice-Principal or designate ~~or a teacher~~ be present during the interview.

### 3.0 Waived or Invoked

Where a parent or guardian can be contacted but is unable to attend at the school, then No. 2.0 as above can be waived or invoked at the direction of the parent or guardian.

### 4.0 Accessibility

Where No 2.0 is invoked, the individual acting *in loco parentis* shall ensure that any outside authority is appropriately notified of the needs of the student and should advocate for accommodations, where necessary.