

**SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Springfield, New Jersey 07081**

**POLICY: LOCAL UNITS**

The Board of Education wishes to cooperate as fully as possible with other public agencies in the community which, by their nature, deal with students. Whenever feasible the Superintendent shall develop positive working relationships with such agencies.

Agencies will include, but not be limited to, the agencies listed below:

1. Fire Department counsel shall be sought to achieve fire safety. The building administrator shall coordinate all fire safety activities. No fire drills shall be permitted without the permission of the building Principal.
2. Police Department officers will at all times have full cooperation from school district employees. Investigations within the school shall be consistent with the special rights of juveniles and the general rights of adult persons. The building principal and the Superintendent of Schools shall approve all student investigations
3. Emergency Room/Squad - The Chief School Administrator shall establish procedures whereby the facilities to the local hospital emergency room and local ambulance/rescue squad may be called upon in implementing policies numbered 5131.6, 5141/1, 5141/6, and 6145.1/6145.2.

In accordance with the law, the district may accept or share the use of facilities or equipment with other local organizations. The terms of the acceptance or sharing shall be decided for each instance.

Further, the Springfield School District shall cooperate with other school districts in the solution of common educational concerns. Research and the exchange of information or data will be under the direction of the Superintendent and shall be considered if coordination is feasible or desirable.

The Board shall strive to work harmoniously with all local governmental bodies with which it has statutory relationships and shall cooperate with all city agencies to achieve goals in the best interest of children and adults of the community.

**Legal References:**

- N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties
- N.J.S.A. 18A:20-34 Use of property
- N.J.S.A. 18A: 36-25 Requires reporting potentially missing or abused children
- N.J.S.A. 18A: 40A-10 and 11 require written policy on drug/alcohol referral
- N.J.A.C. 6:8-3.5(a)3 Educational program (curriculum)

**Cross References:**

1330 Use of school facilities  
1600 Relations between other entities and the district  
3220/3230 State funds. Federal funds  
3320 Purchasing procedures  
5125 Pupil Records  
5131.5 Vandalism/violence  
5131.6 Drugs, alcohol, tobacco (substance abuse)  
5141.1 Accidents  
5141.4 Child abuse and neglect  
5141.6 Crisis Intervention  
5145.11 Questioning and apprehension  
5145.12 Search and seizure  
6114 Emergencies and disaster preparedness  
6122 Articulation  
6145.1/6145.2 Intramural competition, interscholastic competition  
6172 Alternative educational programs  
7110 Long range facilities planning  
7130 Relations with other government units

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