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## SECTION 600 – Students

### **POLICY 644: SURVEILLANCE**

#### BACKGROUND

The Board recognizes that privacy is a fundamental value in a democratic society and emphasizes that this policy, and the practical use of surveillance, must be guided by a commitment to the privacy of students, staff, volunteers and the general public.

#### POLICY

The Board recognizes its legal obligation to provide appropriate levels of supervision in the interests of student safety, and surveillance, like other forms of student supervision, must be carried out in a way that respects student privacy rights.

#### GUIDELINES

1. The Board approves the use of surveillance methods or equipment on School Board property where the circumstances have shown that it is appropriate for its use and the benefits of its use demonstrably outweigh its impact on the privacy of those observed.
2. The Board authorizes the use of surveillance, where it is necessary to enhance the safety of students, staff, volunteers and the general public.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

[644 P 001 – Video Surveillance](#)

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE – EXHIBITS

[644 E 001 – Sample Letter for Principals](#)

[644 E 002 – FOIP Privacy Impact Assessment Tool](#)

[644 E 003 – Notice](#)

[644 E 004 – Surveillance Video Release Form](#)

[644 E 005 – Log- Access and Viewing of Video Surveillance](#)

#### REFERENCES

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

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