

LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY: 207
SECTION: PUPILS
TITLE: CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OF STUDENTS
ADOPTED: June 18, 2018

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Purpose

The Board recognizes that certain written and oral communications between students and school personnel must be confidential.

Authority

The Board directs school personnel to comply with all federal and state laws, regulations and Board policy concerning confidential communications of students.

Guidelines

Information received in confidence from a student may be revealed to the parents/guardians of the student who is under eighteen years of age, building principal, or other appropriate authority by the staff member who received the information when the health, welfare, or safety of the student or other persons clearly is in jeopardy.¹

Use of a student's confidential communications to school personnel in legal proceedings is governed by statutes and regulations appropriate to the proceedings.²

Delegation of Responsibility

In qualifying circumstances, a staff member may reveal confidential information to the building principal and other appropriate authorities.

In qualifying circumstances, the building principal or designated administrator may reveal confidential information to a student's parent or

¹ 22 Pa. Code. 12.12.

² 22 Pa. Code. 12.12; 42 Pa.C.S.A. 5945; 8337.

legal guardian and other appropriate authorities, including law enforcement personnel.