

# **SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

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*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 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 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.