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External Research Projects

Policy Statement

The Strait Regional School Board will consider requests from individuals, agencies and institutions to conduct educational and education-related research involving its students and staff.

It is the mandate of the Strait Regional School Board to ensure that students receive the maximum benefit from the scheduled hours of instructional time. Therefore, the research project must not impact significantly on classroom time.

In the implementation of this policy and supporting procedures, requests to conduct external research must adhere to relevant legislation, including but not limited to, the *Education Act and Regulations Under the Act* (Consolidated September 2002), the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPOP) Act*, Board policies, school-based policies, and collective agreements.

Guidelines

1. Requests to conduct research projects in schools must be submitted on the Application for Approval of Research Projects, referenced as Appendix A in PRO VI-D-2, and submitted to the Director of Programs and Student Services.
2. A Criminal Records Check and a Child Abuse Registry Check may be required of anyone having contact with students as part of a research request.
3. The researcher is required to wear photo identification at the school site.
4. It is the responsibility of the Director of Programs and Student Services, in consultation with the appropriate principal(s), to decide on the approval of the research request.
5. Once approved, it is the responsibility of the principal to monitor the research at the school site.
6. As part of the approval process, the researcher agrees to provide a copy of the research to the Director of Programs and Student Services within six months of completion of the research project.
7. The Board has established a set of procedures to guide all aspects of this policy.

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