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5517 SCHOOL DISTRICT ISSUED STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

The Board of Education recognizes school building security measures are important for the safety and welfare of all students, staff, parents, and community members in school buildings. In recognizing this important responsibility, the Principal or designee may require students to carry a school district issued identification card (Identification Card).

An Identification Card will be issued to all students in

Choose one or more of the following:

all school buildings
elementary schools,
middle schools,
high schools.

The Principal or designee may require a student to present their Identification Card at any time during the school day or at any time during a school-sponsored activity on school grounds.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Policy, the Principal or designee may also require students carry an Identification Card at any school-sponsored, off-campus activity, including but not limited to, field trips or interscholastic sports programs pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:36-43a. The provisions of this Policy shall not be construed to require a student to carry the Identification Card while participating in an athletic contest or competition, an activity involving fine arts or performing arts, or any other activity that the Commissioner of Education determines does not require the physical possession of an Identification Card. An Identification Card used in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:36-43a shall include, but need not be limited to, the following information: the student's name; an up-to-date photograph; and the current school year.



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Any student who fails to have the Identification Card in their possession or fails to present it when required may be denied access to an event or activity and may be subject to appropriate discipline.

An Identification Card issued in accordance with this Policy shall not be considered a government record pursuant to P.L. 1963, c.73 (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.), P.L. 2001, c.404 (N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5), or the common law concerning access to government records.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-43

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