

## RESEARCH INVOLVING STUDENTS

### A. Generally

The Board will act upon proposals for research projects involving students only after consideration of the following:

1. The superintendent's recommendation;
2. The nature and purpose of the activities as described in the research plan; and
3. The anticipated benefit to the research subjects and/or the school division's educational program.

### B. Administrative Criteria

Research involving students may be recommended to the board for action provided the superintendent has determined that:

1. The investigators are professionally competent;
2. The research plan sets forth explicit objectives and formal procedures designed to reach these objectives;
3. The research holds out the prospect of direct benefit for the individual subjects and/or the division's educational program;
4. Students will be selected in an equitable manner;
5. There will be no significant departure from normal school routine;
6. Adequate provisions are made for the assent of students and the permission of their parent(s) or guardian. Consent forms shall state the purpose of the research, the procedures to be followed and the right to withdrawal at any time; and
7. Adequate provisions are made to protect the privacy of students and to maintain confidentiality of data set forth in board policy.

### C. Special Provisions

The Board reserves the right to terminate research projects at any time.

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