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It is the belief of Evergreen School Division that whenever it is reasonable for the RCMP to do so, students will be interviewed after school hours. When the RCMP determines an interview of a student is necessary during the school day, efforts will be made to ensure parents can be present by delaying the interview if possible.

In the event interviews by the RCMP must occur in the school, the following will apply:

Interview Of Students

It is the policy of the Division that employees of the Division take all reasonable measures to protect the rights of the students attending schools within the Division.

When a police officer requests an interview with a student in a school, the Principal (or designate) shall:

- 1. Satisfy himself/herself as to the identity of the police officer.
- 2. Request information from the police officer as to whether the student is being questioned as a witness or as a suspect in/accused of a crime.
- 3. Notify the parent/guardian immediately.

A Principal (or designate) shall:

- Refuse to give permission to a police officer to interview a student, unless the parent/guardian
 has been notified and given the Principal permission to allow the police officer to interview or
 the parent/guardian is in attendance.
- 2. Be in attendance at the interview of a student by a police officer if the parent/guardian has authorized the police officer to interview the student.