

## **POLICY 1240**

### **1:0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS-VISITS TO SCHOOLS AND CLASSROOMS**

#### **2:0 CONDITIONS**

2:1 In view of the extreme importance of the school's role in shaping society, parents, lay citizens and representatives of various groups and associations often request visitation privileges in the public schools of the town. The demands of the citizenry for knowledge of how the schools are preparing pupils for life as useful members of a democratic society are valid and desirable. Receiving these visitors into the classrooms of the town, for observation, requires planning so that disruption of the learning process will not occur.

#### **3:0 POLICY PURPOSE**

3:1 To specify conditions which will govern the visits of parents and other lay citizens to the schools and classrooms of the town public schools.

#### **4:0 POLICY STATEMENT**

4:1 School administrators will make every effort to cooperate with parents and other interested citizens in providing for school visitations, while at the same time safeguarding the stability of the educational process and maintaining the environment conducive to a positive learning atmosphere.

#### **5:0 PROFESSIONAL ACTION DIRECTIONS**

5:0 The Superintendent with the assistance of other staff members shall promulgate such regulations as he/she shall deem necessary which will enhance cooperation with parents and other interested citizens in arranging classroom observation and visits to schools. The Superintendent and his/her staff shall periodically review these regulations and recommend any required revisions to the School Committee.

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