

**BURLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
H 12: EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH**

**Former Policy LC**

The Burlington School District is aware of the need for basic and applied research to be conducted in field settings, and recognizes the benefits of such research to the school department. It, therefore, wishes to cooperate to the extent possible with outside agencies and individuals in the conduct of research projects within the constraints of existing federal and state laws and the School District's primary functions.

Any agency or person wishing to secure the cooperation of the School District in a research project will be asked to prepare a written request according to a standard procedure. This procedure will ensure that research within the School District is conducted in a uniform and systematic manner in accordance with state and federal law, in particular student privacy laws.

Research will be defined as an investigation using standard research techniques. Minor investigations such as observations, recorded observations, and surveys will not be affected by the prescribed procedure except at the request of the building administrator.

Legal References: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g

Cross References: F 7R: Pupil Privacy Rights: Student Surveys

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