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Confidential Communication of **Students**

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The main purpose of confidentiality is to offer students a relationship in which they will be able to deal with what concerns them without fear of disclosure. Therefore, it is the professional responsibility of school personnel to respectfully the right of privacy of students. Information received in confidence from a student may be revealed by the staff member who received the information when the health, welfare or safety of the student or other persons clearly is in jeopardy. Use of student's confidential communications to school personnel in legal proceedings is governed by statutes and regulations appropriate to the proceedings. In qualifying circumstances, a staff member may reveal confidential information to the building principal and other appropriate authorities who may reveal confidential information to a student's parents/legal guardians and other appropriate authorities, including law enforcement personnel