

UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

The River East Transcona School Division encourages the active interest and involvement of parents and citizens in the public schools.

In order to avoid interruption of the instructional program and to promote the safety of students, staff and property, it is proper to ensure that no unauthorized persons enter buildings with wrongful intent. Unauthorized persons on school premises are considered trespassers.

Persons authorized to be on school premises:

- (1) Division staff and school board members.
- (2) Students regularly enrolled at the school, i.e., students who are not currently under suspension or expulsion from the school or school division. Suspended students may be on the premises only to pick up homework by prior arrangement with the school administration.
- (3) Parents/guardians of students or community members with prior permission or arrangement with the school's administration to observe classes or school activities, or to assist their students into and out of school before and after the school day.
- (4) Students and staff from other schools who are participating in school sponsored or sanctioned events.
- (5) Students, parents/guardians, and members of the public who are observing or participating in school sponsored or sanctioned activities or events that are open to the public (including after-hours community use of facilities and grounds).
- (6) Law enforcement officers during the performance of their duties.
- (7) Other persons with legitimate business at the school that proceed directly to the school's main office and secure permission from the administration to remain on the premises.

All other persons present on school premises are unauthorized.

In addition, any person who has engaged in disruptive behaviour at a school and who has subsequently received written notice from any school or school division official placing reasonable conditions upon future access to the school (and/or other division schools) shall be considered "unauthorized" at the school(s) if he or she violates the conditions, notwithstanding that he or she may otherwise be considered "authorized" under items (1) to (7) above.



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Unauthorized persons entering the schools for the purposes of disrupting same or who create disturbances on school property shall be subject to punishment as defined in the Public Schools Act cited in the legal reference to this policy. Administrators shall inform such law enforcement officers and agencies as are required to maintain order or to remove unauthorized or uncooperative visitors from school property.

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