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Buildings constitute the greatest financial investment of the District. It is in the best interest of the Board of Education to protect the District's investment adequately. The Buildings and equipment owned by the Board shall be protected from theft and vandalism in order to maintain the optimum conditions for carrying out the educational programs.

The Superintendent shall develop and supervise a program for the security of the District's students, staff, visitors, school buildings, school grounds, and school equipment in compliance with State and Federal laws. Such a program may include the use of video surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment in appropriate public areas in and around the schools and other District facilities, and on school buses. **The program may also include, but not be limited to:**

- A (x) identification badges for staff, students, and/or visitors;**
- B (x) secured entries;**
- C (x) checkpoint construction;**
- D (x) lighting specifically designed for entry point security;**
- E (x) automatic locks and locking devices;**
- F (x) electronic security systems;**
- G (x) electronic visitor registration and tracking systems;**

Every effort shall be made to apprehend those who knowingly cause serious physical harm to students, staff, visitors, and Board property and to require prosecution of those who bring harm to persons and/or property. The Board will seek repair to rectify the damage or payment of a fee to cover repairs. A reward may be offered for apprehending such persons.

In the case of students of this District, the Superintendent is authorized to withhold report cards or to recommend other sanctions against those who fail to meet their obligations.

Juvenile authorities may be contacted in the case of serious offenses.

The Superintendent is authorized to install metal detectors and video surveillance/electronic monitoring equipment on school property in order to protect the health, welfare, and safety of students, staff, visitors, and Board property, and other security devices that would assist in the detection of guns and dangerous weapons and/or other unauthorized objects (e.g., vape pens and other prohibited equipment/devices) in school buildings, on District property, and/or at Board-sponsored/controlled events.

The Superintendent shall report to the Board any significant incident involving vandalism, theft, personal safety or other security risk and the measures being taken to address the situation.

Staff, students, and visitors who intentionally circumvent, interfere with, or disable security measures, systems, and/or devices may be subject to discipline, up to and including termination of employment for an employee, suspension or expulsion from work or school for a student, and may also face criminal charges.

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