

# POLICY

## BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

**Related Entries:** JCC, JCC-RAK, JT-RA

**Responsible Office:** OFFICE OF SCHOOL SECURITY, DIVISION OF STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

### REGISTERED STUDENT SEX OFFENDERS – ENTRY ONTO SCHOOL PROPERTY

#### A. PURPOSE

To establish a policy to govern the prohibition of Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) students who are registered sex offenders from entering onto the property of an AACPS elementary or secondary school; and to accommodate the educational needs of these students.

#### B. ISSUE

In accordance with State law, an AACPS student who is a registered sex offender is prohibited from entering onto the property of an AACPS elementary or secondary school. Notwithstanding this prohibition in State law, AACPS is responsible for providing an AACPS student who is a registered sex offender an education in accordance with State law.

#### C. POSITION

1. The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County is committed to maintaining safe schools and providing access to an equitable, high quality education for all AACPS students.
2. In accordance with this commitment, AACPS shall establish procedures to meet the educational needs of a student who is a registered sex offender. Such procedures shall include:
  - a. Clear and transparent communication with the student and the student's parent(s)/guardian(s);
  - b. Accommodation for the educational needs of and provision of pathways for the student to meet AACPS graduation requirements within the same timeframe as the student's peers; and

- c. Planning for the transition of the student to return to the school environment if the student is no longer registered as a sex offender and is still enrolled in AACPS.

**D. IMPLEMENTATION**

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

*Policy History:* Adopted on 06/16/22

*Note Previous Policy History:* None

*Legal References:* 34 U.S.C. §20901 et seq. Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act; Section 11-722 of the Criminal Procedure Article; Code of Maryland Regulations 13A.03.05 Administration of Home and Hospital Teaching; Maryland’s Model Policy on Student Registered Sex Offenders – Entry on School Property