

# Lawrence County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in September	Descriptor Term: <b>Registered Sex Offenders</b>	Descriptor Code: <b>1.808</b>	Issued Date: <b>11/20/08</b>
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2 Individuals registered as sex offenders in Tennessee or any other state are prohibited from the premises  
3 of any school in this district, except for the limited circumstances state in this policy.<sup>1</sup>  
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## 5 **EMPLOYMENT**

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7 An individual listed by the state of Tennessee or any other state as a registered sex offender is ineligible  
8 for employment within the school district. Employees of third parties may enter onto school grounds  
9 temporarily during school hours for the limited purpose of making mail, food, or other deliveries.  
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## 11 **PRESENCE ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**

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13 No registered sex offender, whose victim was a minor, shall come on, about, or within 1,000 feet of a  
14 local school's property line, nor may they loiter within 500 feet of school buildings or grounds, except  
15 as provided below.<sup>2</sup> If any employee of the school district becomes aware of any registered sex  
16 offender's presence on school property, he/she shall immediately inform the principal, who shall direct  
17 the individual to leave the premises immediately. The principal shall request assistance from local law  
18 enforcement authorities if the offender resists the principal's directives. If the registered sex offender  
19 repeats this restriction of coming on school property, the principal may confer with legal counsel to take  
20 appropriate legal action.  
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22 Neither this policy nor state law impose any duty upon a principal or any other employee of the local  
23 school district to review the sex offender registry for individuals who may come upon the property.  
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## 25 **PARENTS WHO ARE REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS**

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27 The principal shall allow a parent who is a registered sex offender to drop off and pick up his/her child  
28 from school and to come onto campus for parent/teacher conferences. The parent, however, may come  
29 to the school for the stated business only. Further, when coming in the building, the parent must come to  
30 the front office only.  
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32 Principals shall speak with the parent upon learning of their status as a sex offender to communicate the  
33 restrictions of this policy and to establish open dialogue with the parent, as much as is possible or  
34 reasonable. The principal shall take all appropriate measures to protect the privacy of the sex offender's  
35 child.  
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37 Upon request of the parent sex offender, the director of schools may waive the premises/presence  
38 restrictions of this policy to allow the parent to attend school events under exceptional situations,  
39 including, but not necessarily limited to graduation.  
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### 41 Legal References:

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44 1. TCA 40-39-201, *et. seq.*  
45 2. TCA 40-39-211