

## **SECURITY CAMERAS IN SCHOOLS**

### Statement of Policy

It is the policy of the Peel District School Board to create and maintain a safe school and work environment. Security cameras (closed circuit television systems - CCTV) are installed in Peel secondary schools to monitor school property, to assist school administrators in detecting and deterring unacceptable behaviour or activities, and to provide an historical record to assist in investigation. Security cameras may be installed in other schools and properties, as per Administrative Regulation 8.

This policy is aligned with and supports the principles and expectations of the Board's Human Rights policy (Policy 51) and the Equity and Inclusive Education policy (Policy 54). At all times, this policy should be interpreted to be consistent with the Board's policies and the *Human Rights Code*.

Security cameras are used to accomplish three important goals in the Peel District School Board:

1. To enhance the safety of students and staff;
2. To protect school property against theft or vandalism;
3. To assist in the identification of intruders and of persons endangering the health, well being or safety of school community members.

### Administrative Regulations

The Board's collection of personal information using CCTV systems assists the Board to comply with its responsibilities as set out in section 170(1), section 171(1) and Part XIII of the *Education Act*, as well as the duties of its employees as set out in the *Education Act* and Regulations, as amended from time to time.

Camera system users and the Board will act in a responsible manner with respect to the notice, access, disclosure, retention, security and disposal of the personal information that is being collected, in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Reference: CSS8 – Security Cameras in Schools

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