

RELATIONS WITH EDUCATION RESEARCH AND SERVICE CENTERS

The Superintendent is authorized to cooperate as far as possible with colleges, universities, and other recognized research. Because of the large number of requests for studies in our schools it is necessary to limit the number and establish guidelines for the approval of studies.

Decisions in connection with research involving students, teachers, or other employees will be influenced by the following factors.

1. The objectives of the research should be clearly stated and the design should produce valid and reliable results which will then be made available to the Londonderry schools.
2. The research should be expected to contribute to the improvement of education of the general welfare of children.
3. The data derived from school records, interviews, or questionnaires which have potential for invasion of the privacy of students or their families must have advanced written authorization of parents or guardians even though the data are to be collected and reported under conditions of anonymity.
4. Research proposals should be of sufficient scope and depth to justify the time and effort of students and staff members.
5. In general, instructional activities will not be interrupted unless there is clear significance for the educational program of the Londonderry schools.
6. Projects involving student researchers must have prior written approval by a faculty member of the institution in which the student is enrolled. This faculty member must have direct responsibility related to the student's research.

LONDONDERRY SCHOOL BOARD

Adopted: June 19, 1978