

**OBSERVATIONS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

In accordance with Massachusetts General Law 71B:3, and as promulgated into law on January 8, 2009, the Saugus School Committee shall ensure that parents of children with disabilities in a public school have the right to observe their child in the school setting without restriction of duration and extent of observation. Such standard shall be applied with exception to the following protections: (1) the safety of children in the program during observation; (2) the integrity of the program during observation; and (3) the children in the program from disclosure by an observer of confidential or personally identifiable information that may be obtained during the observation.

“The complexities of the child’s needs, as well as the programs to be observed, should determine what the observation will entail and what amount of time is needed to complete it.” Requests for an observation are to be initiated by the parent by contacting the building administration to begin the process and to obtain procedural information as established by the Office of Pupil Personnel Services.

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