

ARRESTS ON CAMPUS

There are four types of arrest situations that may occur on your campus. The School Resource Officer (SRO) will notify the school administration when an arrest has occurred.

1. Arrest and detain. This means the student is arrested, transported to jail, and detained. (usually a serious offense)
2. Arrested and released to their parent/guardian with the Juvenile Referral for Prosecution.
3. Non-arrest referral. This means a Probable Cause Affidavit is written, and it is being filed through the State Attorney's Office for review. This may lead into a physical arrest.
4. Teen Court Referral. This means the student is given the chance to stay out of the regular court system. A jury made up of his/her peers will judge the student and determine the consequences. If the student fails the teen court process, he/she will be sent back to regular court.

On Campus Crime

Typically, this will involve your school resource officer or law enforcement officer arresting a student because you or the victim wish to have the student arrested for a crime. Your school resource officer or the law enforcement officer can advise you as to the procedures they must follow, although you should request that the arrest be made in a manner that is not disruptive to other students (if possible). **The SRO will contact the student's parent/guardian immediately upon the arrest.**

Off Campus Crime

Occasionally, law enforcement officers will arrive at your school asking to arrest a student on your campus who has committed a crime off campus. If the law enforcement officer has a warrant for the student's arrest, they have the legal authority to effect the arrest. They may also arrest a student if they have "probable cause" to believe that the student has committed a crime and the seriousness of the crime is such that the law enforcement officer believes that the student may flee or may be a danger to other students. However, you may ask the law enforcement officer to make the arrest in a manner that is not disruptive to other students. **The SRO will contact the student's parent/guardian immediately upon the arrest.**

IMPORTANT

In all cases where an arrest is made on your campus, immediately contact the Chief of School Police; the appropriate Executive Director for Elementary, Middle, or High School; the Director of Academic Intervention for Alternative Schools; or the Supervisor of Charter Schools. They will ensure that the Superintendent and Board Members are aware of the situation as soon as possible.