

<b>Policy Title</b>	<b>Third Party Protocol</b>		
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<b>References</b>			
Education Act; Human Rights Code; Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms; AODA (Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act); Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act; Personal Health Information Protection Act; Ontario Student Record (OSR) Guideline 2000 and Bluewater District School Board Ontario Student Record Procedures; BP 1409-D "Privacy Policy"			

**1.0 RATIONALE**

- 1.1 Bluewater District School Board policies will support and provide direction necessary to achieve the board's Vision, Mission and Strategic Plan priorities.
- 1.2 Bluewater District School Board is committed to achieving a balance between confidentiality and working collaboratively with community agencies, professionals, and paraprofessionals to support student learning.

**2.0 POLICY**

- 2.1 Bluewater District School Board advocates the development of a multidisciplinary team approach that supports student learning. It is recognized that this process will include third parties as required. In order to be involved, as there will be sharing of information, parent(s)/guardian(s) will be required to consent to the release of information to a third party. The board also recognizes and accepts its responsibility under applicable privacy legislation and related board policies. All persons involved in the process will adhere to the following basic principles of confidentiality:
  - i. respect for an individual's right to privacy
  - ii. respect for all relationships in which personal information is shared
  - iii. appreciation of the importance of confidentiality
  - iv. expectation that any confidential information shared will be safeguarded
- 2.2 Bluewater District School Board will continue to encourage collaboration and the development of ongoing agreements with third parties that encourage and assist all pupils in achieving their potential.