

441—28.6(217,218) Interviews and statements.

28.6(1) Releases to the news media shall be the responsibility of the superintendent. Authority for dissemination and release of information may be designated to other employees at the discretion of the superintendent.

28.6(2) Interviews of individuals by the news media or other outside persons or groups shall be permitted only with the consent of the individual or the individual's parent, guardian, or legal representative.

a. When a request without known prior consent is received, the superintendent or designee shall not acknowledge the presence or nonpresence of an individual at the facility.

b. If the individual is in the facility, the superintendent or designee shall make the individual or the individual's parent, guardian, or legal representative aware of the request. Notice to the individual or the individual's parent, guardian, or legal representative shall be documented in the individual's record. The individual or the individual's parent, guardian, or legal representative shall be free to decide whether an interview is granted.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 217.30 and 218.4.

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