



## **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to assist Athlos Academy of St. Cloud personnel in responding to a notification by local law enforcement that a convicted predatory offender is moving into the school district so that they may better protect students in the school's care while they are on or near school grounds or under the control of Athlos Academy of St. Cloud.

## **II. DEFINITIONS**

- A. Risk Level Assessment: The level of danger to the community as established by the Minnesota Department of Corrections following a review by a committee of experts. The level of risk assigned to a soon-to-be-released offender determines the scope of notification. (Minn. Stat. § 244.052, Subd. 2, 3)
- B. Risk Levels:
  - 1. Level I: Is assigned to a predatory offender whose risk assessment score indicates a low risk of re-offense. There will be no disclosure to school districts.
  - 2. Level II: Is assigned to a predatory offender whose risk assessment score indicates a moderate risk of re-offense. School districts, private schools, day care centers and other institutions serving those likely to be victimized by the predatory offender are included in a Level II notification. Offender Fact Sheets are typically distributed to the relevant institutions by law enforcement.
  - 3. Level III: Is assigned to a predatory offender whose risk assessment score indicates a high risk of re-offense. In most cases, local law enforcement will hold a community meeting and distribute an Offender Fact Sheet (denoting the general area of residence of the offender) with information concerning and a photograph of the soon-to-be-released Level III offender.

## **III. POLICY**

- A. Athlos Academy of St. Cloud is to provide information to its personnel regarding known predatory offenders that are moving into the school district so that they may monitor school premises for the safety of the school, its students and employees.
  - 1. Personnel will be notified as appropriate and have access to Offender Fact Sheets.

## Community Notification of Predatory Offenders

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2. Bus drivers will have access to Offender Fact Sheets.
  3. If necessary, bus stops may be moved if they place children in close proximity to a predatory offender who has been convicted of crimes against children of similar ages.
- B. Athlos Academy of St. Cloud will prepare a list of available resources for personnel to provide safety information to students on how to protect themselves against abuse, abduction or exploitation.
1. School administrators may ask their local law enforcement officials for assistance in providing instruction to personnel and/or students.
- C. Athlos Academy of St. Cloud shall not distribute or provide access to Level II Offender Fact Sheets to parent/guardians, students or others outside the school unless a determination has been made by the Lead School Administrator or designee that dissemination of the data will help secure the school or protect students.
- D. If Athlos Academy of St. Cloud ever receives notice that a Level III predatory offender resides or works in the surrounding community, the Lead School Administrator shall determine on a case-by-case basis whether or not notice to parent/guardians shall be given.
1. If the predatory offender identified in the notice is participating in programs offered by Athlos Academy of St. Cloud that require or allow the person to interact with children other than the person's children, the Lead School Administrator must notify parent/guardians of the contents of the notice received.

### Legal References:

[Minn. Stat. Ch. 13](#) (Minnesota Government Data Practices Act)

[Minn. Stat. § 244.052, Subd. 4](#)