

PANAMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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FOSTER CARE POINT OF CONTACT (POC)

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RESPONSIBILITIES OF PANAMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOSTER CARE LIASION

The responsibility of the district Foster Care Child Liaison, of Point of Contact (POC), is to work in the best interest of the child to ensure that all of the student's educational requirements are met. To facilitate this responsibility, the POC will

- Collaborate with child placement agencies to ensure immediate enrollment and transportation for students.
- Communicate with child welfare advocate to ensure timeliness in transfer and in providing appropriate services.
- Work in partnership with sending/receiving schools to ensure swift transfer of records or awarding of credit and completion of graduation requirements.
- Maintain contact with student's team (child welfare advocate, transportation representative, school counselor, classroom teachers, foster parents, and/or student) to ensure student progress in foster care and academic achievement.
- Hold quarterly meetings to discuss student progress, improve procedures, and maintain communication.
- Keep abreast of all legislative updates and disseminate the information to personnel and parents, as appropriate, in a relevant and useful way.



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