Rainy River District School Board	**SECTION 2** *Organization & Administration*
RESEARCH REQUESTS	**2.69**

POLICY

The Rainy River District School Board will support educational research that enhances student achievement and well-being.

RATIONALE

Education research informs decision-making around programs, policies, and practices, ultimately supporting improved outcomes for all learners.

IMPLEMENTATION

As per Procedure 2.69, Research Requests

GUIDELINES

1.1   The Rainy River District School Board recognizes the need to ensure that research conducted within its schools meets the Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans (TCPS2) and beneficial to education in general and to the Board in particular.

1.2   The Board believes that there is a need to balance the potential benefits of educational research with the needs of the school(s). Research requests will be considered based on the proposed research's impact on schools, and the system.   All research requests shall be submitted to the Director of Education/designate.

1.3   The Board of Trustees will be informed of all approved research projects.

1.4   Confidentiality is an important aspect of research conducted in the Rainy River District School Board. All personal and confidential information must be administered in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and its Regulations.*

Definitions:

The term "research" does not refer to the necessary data collection required by schools and the system, as well as the Ministry of Education, and excludes internal research related to Rainy River District School Board programming.

CROSS REFERENCE	Date Approved December 1, 2020	LEGAL/MINISTRY OF EDUCATION REFERENCE
Procedure 2.69, Research Requests Policy and Procedure 2.80, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Procedure 2.81, Records Information Management – Research and Planning	Board Motion 139 Review Prior to 2025	*Municipal Freedom of Information/Protection of Privacy Act* *Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans (TCPS2), 2018*