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Statement	<p>On occasion, schools or residential areas are put in a “Lockdown” or “Hold & Secure” by Peel Regional Police. In a school Lockdown or Hold & Secure situation, students are unable to leave the school building. In a residential Lockdown, students may not be able to be dropped off in a particular neighbourhood. Only Peel Regional Police can lift a Lockdown or Hold & Secure. Once it is lifted, students can be released from the school or are allowed to be dropped off in the neighbourhood.</p>
Procedure	<p>Lockdown/Hold & Secure at a School:</p> <p>Once STOPR has received a call for a Lockdown or Hold & Secure situation, the following steps are taken:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notify all bus companies going into the identified school; 2. If the situation occurs in the morning and buses arrive at the school, the bus will wait with the students on board the bus until the Lockdown or Hold & Secure is lifted. If the situation goes on for an extended period of time, the students on board the bus will be taken to an alternate school location until the situation is clear to return as directed by the Board; 3. If the situation occurs in the afternoon when buses arrive at a school site, the buses will wait 10 minutes after their regular departure time. If after 10 minutes the students have not been released, the buses will carry on to their next school (if they have one) and complete all runs before returning to the original school placed in the Lockdown or Hold & Secure. If the bus does not have a second run, that bus will remain at the school or within a 5 km radius of the school depending on the situation

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Procedure	<p>Lockdown/Hold & Secure in a Residential Area:</p> <p>Once STOPR has received a call for a Lockdown or Hold & Secure for a residential area, the following steps are taken:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. STOPR will notify all bus companies going into the identified area;2. STOPR will notify all schools affected by the Lockdown area;3. If the situation occurs in the morning, the students will not be picked up in a Lockdown area;4. STOPR will notify school of the stops that the driver was not able to pick up;5. If the situation occurs in the afternoon and a bus arrives at a location or area where there is a lockdown, students will remain on the bus until the driver is done the school run. If the Lockdown is lifted by the end of the school run, the driver will return to the stop to drop the student(s) off. If the Lockdown has been extended, the driver will return the student(s) to the school;6. STOPR will notify the school of the bus returning and the school will prepare to contact all parents/guardians.
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