

The School Board Member's Code of Ethics

1. To observe and enforce state laws and regulations pertaining to education.
2. To accept office as a board member as a means of unselfish service.
3. To transact school business only in regular sessions.
4. To represent the entire community without fear or favor.
5. To refrain from any involvement which might be viewed as a conflict of interest and to refuse to accept anything of value from persons or firms with whom the Board of Education has dealings.
6. To remember at all times that he/she is one of a team.
7. To accept all board decisions once they are made and cooperate in carrying them out effectively.
8. To delegate action to the chief school administrator as the board executive and to confine board action to policy making, planning and appraisal.
9. To employ only competent, trained personnel and these only on the recommendation of the chief school administrator.
- 10.* To preserve the right and obligation of teachers to teach controversial issues fairly and without bias.
11. To view education as a means of developing the talents of individuals and as an instrument of national survival.
12. No member of the Board of Education shall disclose confidential information acquired in the course of official duties, including participation at executive sessions of the Board of Education, or use such information to further personal interests. In addition to any penalty contained in any law, any Board Member who shall knowingly and intentionally violate this paragraph may be removed from office in the manner provided by law.

* If above policy is amended, according to negotiations agreement with TAL, notice should be sent to TAL and amendment should become part of negotiations agreement.

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