BOARD MEMBER ETHICS

The Board of Education is committed to serving the public to the best of their abilities. Board members will strive to improve public education and will:

A. Attend all regularly scheduled Board meetings insofar as possible, and become informed concerning issues to be considered at those meetings;

B. Make policy decisions only after full discussion at publicly held Board meetings;

C. Make all decisions based on the available facts and independent judgment;

D. Encourage the free expression of opinion by all Board members, and seek communications between the Board, staff, constituents, and all appropriate elements of the community;

E. Work with the other Board members to establish effective Board policies and to delegate authority for the administration of the district to the superintendent;

F. Communicate to other Board members and the superintendent expressions of public reaction to Board policies and school programs;

G. Inform themselves about current educational issues by individual study and through participation in programs providing needed information, such as those sponsored by the State and National School Boards Association;

H. Support the employment of those persons best qualified to serve as school staff, and insist on a regular and impartial evaluation of all staff;
I. Take no private action that will compromise the Board or administration, and respect the confidentiality of information that is privileged under applicable law;

J. Remember always that their first and greatest concern must be for educational welfare of the students.

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POLICY

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