

SCHOOL BOARD POLICY PROCESS

It is the intent of the board to develop written policies to serve as guidelines and goals for the successful and efficient functioning of the school unit.

The board considers policy development its chief function, along with providing the wherewithal -- such as personnel, buildings, materials, and equipment -- for the successful administration, application and execution of its policies.

~~“Policies are principles adopted by the school board to chart a course of action. They tell what is wanted; they may include why and how much. Policies should be broad enough to indicate a line of action to be followed by the administration in meeting a number of problems, yet narrow enough to give clear guidance. Policies are guides for action by the administration, which then sets the rules and regulations to provide specific directions to school-district personnel.”-~~

Policies are defined as the following:

Policies are principles and guidelines adopted by the Board in support of school system goals, and guide administrative decisions. Policies convey standards and set parameters for compliance with legal requirements. They are broad enough to indicate a line of action to be taken by administration in meeting a number of day-to-day issues; they need to be narrow enough to give the administration clear guidance.

It is the board’s intention that its policies serve as sources of information and guidance for people who are interested in or connected with the unit’s schools.

The policies are framed and are meant to be in compliance with state statute, Rules of the State Board of Education, and all other regulatory agencies within our local, county, state, and federal levels of government. The policies are also framed and are meant to be interpreted in terms of those educational objectives, procedures, and practices which are broadly accepted by leaders and authorities in the public education field.

Changes in needs, conditions, purposes, and objectives will require revisions, deletions, and additions to the policies of the current board and those of the future. The board will welcome suggestions for ongoing policy development.

Action on policy proposals will be taken upon a recommendation of the Policy Committee

unless otherwise directed by the board. The development of the policy statement shall be the responsibility of the Policy Committee and the superintendent, with final adoption in accordance with board policy.

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