

## WOODRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 68

### Administration Office

**TO:** Dr. Patrick Broncato

**FROM:** Dr. William Schmidt

**SUBJECT: DECEMBER 15, 2025, BOARD AGENDA – ANNUAL REVIEW OF BOARD POLICY 5200 *ATTENDANCE AND TRUANCY***

On December 1, 2025, the Policy Committee met to review multiple sections of the Board Policies. In addition, they also review other policies on an annual basis. Included in this annual review is a review and amendment (if necessary) of Board Policy 5200 *Attendance and Truancy*.

The school code *105 ILCS 5/22-92* was amended three years ago, requiring districts to update this policy every two years and file it with the State Board of Education and the DuPage County Regional Office of Education. This is different than our current process with a couple of other policies (e.g. bullying and sexual abuse policies) that we are required to review every two years. The School Code has language that requires this policy be updated every two years, versus a simple review every two years. Therefore, due to this subtle difference, and to ensure compliance, we will review and approve this policy annually.

The following policy is for annual review.

1. **Board Policy 5200 *Attendance and Truancy*:**

The policy is updated in response to an amendment to the IL School Code requiring an approval process for students to attend allowable activities by the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year. Some examples of “allowable activities” are work-based experiences, apprenticeships, and blended learning programs. The legal references are also updated in response to a different IL School Code amendment prohibiting school personnel from referring a truant, chronic truant, or truant minor to any other local public entity, school resource officer, or peace officer to issue a fine/fee as punishment.

At the January 12, 2026, Board Meeting, this recommendation will be brought before the Board as an Action item for approval. Please let me know if you have any questions concerning these recommendations.