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### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

#### **2:80 Board Member Oath and Conduct**

Each Board of Education member, before taking his or her seat on the Board, shall take the following oath of office:

**I, (name), do solemnly swear** (or affirm) that I shall faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education of Lisle Community Unit School District 202, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the laws of the State of Illinois, to the best of my ability.

**I further swear** (or affirm) that:

**I shall respect** taxpayer interests by serving as a faithful protector of the School District's assets;

**I shall encourage** and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow Board members and others who seek a hearing before the Board, while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

**I shall recognize** that a Board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public Board meeting;

**I shall abide** by majority decisions of the Board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels;

**As part of the Board of Education, I shall accept** the responsibility for my role in the equitable and quality education of every student in the School District;

**I shall foster** with the Board extensive participation of the community, formulate goals, define outcomes, and set the course for Lisle CUSD 202;

**I shall assist** in establishing a structure and an environment designed to ensure all students have the opportunity to attain their maximum potential through a sound organizational framework;

**I shall strive** to ensure a continuous assessment of student achievement and all conditions affecting the education of our children, in compliance with State law;

**I shall serve** as education's key advocate on behalf of students and our community's school (or schools) to advance the vision for Lisle CUSD 202; and

**I shall strive** to work together with the District Superintendent to lead the School District toward fulfilling the vision the Board has created, fostering excellence for every student in the areas of academic skills, knowledge, citizenship, and personal development.

The Board President will administer the oath in an open Board meeting; in the absence of the President, the Vice President will administer the oath. If neither is available, the Board member with the longest service on the Board will administer the oath.

The Board adopts the Illinois Association of School Boards' *Code of Conduct for Members of School Boards (Code)*.<sup>PRESSPlus1</sup> A copy of the *Code* shall be displayed in the regular Board meeting room.<sup>Q1</sup>

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-16.5.](#)

CROSS REF.: 1:30 (School District Philosophy), 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification), 2:50 (Board Member Term of Office), [2:60 \(Board Member Removal from Office\)](#), 2:100 (Board Member Conflict of Interest), 2:105 (Ethics and Gift Ban), 2:210 (Organizational Board of Education Meeting)

Adopted: July 24, 2023

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## Questions and Answers:

\*\*\*Required Question 1. The School Code does not specifically address what happens when board members violate their oath of office, nor does it create an opportunity to take legal action for such violations. *Collins v. Bd. of Educ. of North Chicago Comm. Unit Sch. Dist. 187*, 792 F.Supp.2d 992 (N.D.Ill. 2011). **Consult the board attorney for guidance when considering any type of disciplinary action or sanction against a board member.**

Depending on the situation, a board self-evaluation or private one-on-one meetings with a board member may be appropriate to address an issue relating to board member behavior (for a list of IASB workshops, see [www.iasb.com/conference-training-and-events/training/workshops/](http://www.iasb.com/conference-training-and-events/training/workshops/)). When a board member's violation of the oath of office also constitutes a willful failure to perform his or her official duties, the board may request the regional superintendent to remove the member from office. See sample policy 2:60, *Board Member Removal from Office*, available at PRESS Online by logging in at [www.iasb.com](http://www.iasb.com), at footnote 2, for further discussion. A board member whose conduct violates conflict of interest laws may also be subject to criminal liability and removal from office. See sample policy 2:100, *Board Member Conflict of Interest*, and its footnotes, for additional information. In consultation with the board attorney, a board may also consider other actions to address a member's violation of the oath of office, such as publicly censuring a member. *Houston Comm. College System v. Wilson*, 595 U.S. 468 (2022) (holding that a college board of trustees did not violate a trustee's First Amendment rights when it adopted a resolution censuring him for "reprehensible" conduct). Other sanctions may be also warranted, depending on the facts. For example, in *Earnest v. Jasper Cty. Comm. Unit Sch. Dist. No. 1*, 371 F.Supp.3d 459 (S.D.Ill 2019), a court held a board member was not deprived of his liberty interest under the 14th Amendment when the board limited his access to confidential board packet information after it found the board member shared confidential personnel and student information with members of the public.

To encourage appropriate conduct, boards may wish to have their policy express potential consequences for violating the oath of office or the *Code of Conduct for Members of School Boards*. Such boards may add the following sentence to the end of this policy:

"A board member who fails to abide by the oath of office or the *Code* may be subject to action by the Board, including, but not limited to, formal censure and/or referral to the Regional Superintendent for removal from office under Board policy 2:60, *Board Member Removal from Office*."

Has the Board adopted this policy to include the optional sentence shown above?

- ☐ No. (Default)
  - ☐ Yes. (For districts in suburban Cook County, IASB will replace "Regional Superintendent" with "appropriate Intermediate Service Center Executive Director.")
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## **PRESSPlus Comments**

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Board Member Development

2:120-E2 Exhibit - Website Listing of Development and Training Completed by Board Members

District website administrator master: [PRESSPlus1](#) Post this template (including the explanatory paragraphs) on the District's website and update the table as information is provided.

Each Illinois school board member who is elected or appointed to fill a vacancy of at least one year's duration must complete State-mandated professional development and leadership training (PDLT) and Open Meetings Act (OMA) training. State-mandated training is also required for board members who want to vote upon a dismissal based upon the Performance Evaluation Reform Act . For additional information, see Board policy 2:120, Board Member Development.

The following table contains State-mandated training requirements that were completed by each Board member. When the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) provided the training, the acronym "IASB" follows the listed activity.

Name	Development or Training Activity and Provider	Date Completed

IASB is a voluntary organization of local boards of education dedicated to strengthening the Illinois public schools through local citizen control. Although not a part of State government, IASB is organized by member school boards as a private not-for-profit corporation under authority granted by [Article 23 of the School Code](#). The vision of IASB is excellence in local school governance in support of quality public education.

For more information regarding IASB and its programs visit [www.iasb.com](http://www.iasb.com).

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### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

#### **2:130 Board-Superintendent Relationship**

The Board of Education directs, through policy, the Superintendent in his or her charge of the administration of the District by delegating its authority to operate the District and provide leadership to staff. The Board employs and evaluates the Superintendent and holds him or her responsible for the operation of the District in accordance with Board policies and State and federal law.

The Board-Superintendent relationship is based on mutual respect for their complementary roles. The relationship requires clear communication of expectations regarding the duties and responsibilities of both the Board and Superintendent.

The Board considers the recommendations of the Superintendent as the District's Chief Executive Officer. The Board adopts policies necessary to provide ~~general~~ [PRESSPlus1](#) direction for the District and to encourage achievement of District goals. The Superintendent develops plans, programs, and procedures needed to implement the policies and directs the District's operations.

The following practices shall be observed by the Superintendent and the Board:

- The Board shall adopt policies only after consultation with the Superintendent.
- The Board shall delegate to the Superintendent responsibility for all executive functions and shall refrain from any involvement in administrative details. The Board shall accept full responsibility for acts of the Superintendent that were authorized or resulted from policy.
- The Board shall give the Superintendent the necessary authority and personnel to carry out the administrative function.
- The Board shall give the Superintendent counsel and advice, and shall give him/her the benefit of their judgment, business experience, and knowledge about the school system and the community.
- The Board shall provide the Superintendent with a job description of his/her responsibilities.
- The Board shall seek advice of the Superintendent and shall expect recommendations from him/her regarding the operations of the schools.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-16.7](#) and [5/10-21.4](#).

CROSS REF.: 3:40 (Superintendent)

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### STUDENTS

#### **7:140 Search and Seizure**

In order to maintain order and security in the schools, school authorities are authorized to conduct reasonable searches of school property and equipment, as well as of students and their personal effects. "School authorities" includes school liaison police officers.

#### School Property and Equipment as well as Personal Effects Left ~~There~~ On School Property [PRESSPlus1](#) by Students

School authorities may inspect and search school property and equipment owned or controlled by the school (such as, lockers, desks, and parking lots), as well as personal effects left there by a student, without notice to or the consent of the student. Students have no reasonable expectation of privacy in these places or areas or in their personal effects left there.

~~This paragraph applies to student vehicles parked on school property.~~ In addition, Building Principals shall require each high school student, in return for the privilege of parking on school property, to consent in writing to school searches of his or her vehicle, and personal effects therein, without notice and without suspicion of wrongdoing.

The Superintendent may request the assistance of law enforcement officials to conduct inspections and searches of lockers, desks, parking lots, and other school property and equipment for illegal drugs, weapons, or other illegal or dangerous substances or materials, including searches conducted through the use of specially trained dogs.

#### Students

School authorities may search a student and/or the student's personal effects in the student's possession (such as, purses, wallets, knapsacks, book bags, lunch boxes, etc.) when there is a reasonable ground for suspecting that the search will produce evidence the particular student has violated or is violating either the law or the District's student conduct rules. The search itself must be conducted in a manner that is reasonably related to its objective and not excessively intrusive in light of the student's age and sex, and the nature of the infraction.

When feasible, the search should be conducted as follows:

1. Outside the view of others, including students,
2. In the presence of a school administrator or adult witness, and
3. By a ~~certificated or~~ licensed employee or liaison police officer of the same sex as the student.

Immediately following a search, a written report shall be made by the school authority who conducted the search, and given to the Superintendent.

#### Seizure of Property

If a search produces evidence that the student has violated or is violating the law or the District's policies or rules, such evidence may be seized and impounded by school authorities, and disciplinary



action may be taken. When appropriate, such evidence may be transferred to law enforcement authorities.

#### Notification Regarding Student Accounts or Profiles on Social Networking Websites

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and their parents/guardians of each of the following in accordance with the Right to Privacy in the School Setting Act, [105 ILCS 75/](#):

1. School officials may not request or require a student or his or her parent/guardian to provide a password or other related account information to gain access to the student's account or profile on a social networking website.
2. School officials may conduct an investigation or require a student to cooperate in an investigation if there is specific information about activity on the student's account on a social networking website that violates a school disciplinary rule or policy. In the course of an investigation, the student may be required to share the content that is reported in order to allow school officials to make a factual determination.

#### LEGAL REF.:

~~T.L.O. v. New Jersey, 469 U.S. 325 (1985).~~

~~Vernonia Sch. Dist. 47J v. Acton, 515 U.S. 646 (1995).~~

~~Safford Unified Sch. Dist. No. 1 v. Redding, 557 U.S. 364 (2009).~~

105 ILCS 5/10-20.14, 5/10-22.6, and 5/10-22.10a.

~~Right to Privacy in the School Setting Act, 105 ILCS 75/~~ Right to Privacy in the School Setting Act.

~~Cornfield v. Consolidated High Sch. Dist. No. 230, 991 F.2d 1316 (7th Cir. 1993).~~

~~People v. Dilworth, 169 Ill.2d 195 (1996), cert. denied, 116 S.Ct. 1692~~ 517 U.S. 1197 (1996).

~~People v. Pruitt, 278 Ill.App.3d 194 (1st Dist. 1996), app. denied, 167 Ill.2d 564~~ 667 N.E. 2d 1061 (Ill.App.1, 1996).

~~T.L.O. v. New Jersey, 469 U.S. 325 (1985).~~

~~Vernonia School Dist. 47J v. Acton, 515 U.S. 646 (1995).~~

~~Safford Unified School Dist. No. 1 v. Redding, 557 U.S. 364 (2009).~~

CROSS REF.: 7:130 (Student Rights and Responsibilities), 7:150 (Agency and Police Interviews), 7:190 (Student Behavior)

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### **STUDENTS**

#### **7:300 Extracurricular Athletics**

Student participation in school-sponsored extracurricular athletic activities is contingent upon the following:

1. The student must meet the academic criteria and Multiple Sports Participation Guidelines set forth in Board policy 6:190, *Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities*.
2. A parent/guardian of the student must provide written permission for the student's participation, giving the District full waiver of responsibility of the risks involved.
3. The student must present a current certificate of physical fitness issued by a licensed physician, an advanced practice registered nurse, or a physician assistant. The ***Pre-Participation Physical Examination Form***, offered by the Illinois High School Association and the Illinois Elementary School Association, is the preferred certificate of physical fitness.
4. The student must show proof of accident insurance coverage either by a policy purchased through the District-approved insurance plan or a parent/guardian written statement that the student is covered under a family insurance plan.
5. The student must agree to follow all conduct rules and the coaches' instructions.
6. The student and his or her parent/guardian must provide written consent to random drug and alcohol testing pursuant to the Extracurricular Drug and Alcohol Testing Program.
7. The student and his or her parent/guardian must: (a) comply with the eligibility rules of, and complete any forms required by, any sponsoring association (such as, the Illinois Elementary School Association, the Illinois High School Association, or the Southern Illinois Junior High School Athletic Association), and (b) complete all forms required by the District including, without limitation, signing an acknowledgment of receiving information about the Board's concussion policy 7:305, *Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries*.

The Superintendent or designee (1) is authorized to impose additional requirements for a student to participate in extracurricular athletics, provided the requirement comply with Board policy 7:10, *Equal Educational Opportunities*, and (2) shall maintain the necessary records to ensure student compliance with this policy.

#### Conflict of Schedules

When a student has been approved to participate in multiple District sanctioned extracurricular activities per Board Policy 6:190 and a conflict arises, the student is responsible to bring the conflict to the attention of the coach, sponsor of the activities, or the Athletic Director. In the event that the conflict cannot be resolved by the student and the coach, sponsor of the activity, or Athletic Director, the Building Principal shall be made aware of the conflict and be responsible for the resolution determination.

There may be some consequences for missing practices or competitive events for participating in multiple District sanctioned extracurricular activities where conflicts arise.

The Superintendent shall develop guidelines for staff, sponsors and coaches for handling activity conflicts.

## LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.30, ~~5/10-20.54~~, [PRESSPlus1](#) 5/22-80, and 25/2.

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.530\(b\)](#).

CROSS REF.: 4:100 (Insurance Management), 4:170 (Safety), 6:190 (Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities), 6:190-E Exhibit (Multiple Sports Participation Guidelines), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities), 7:20 (Harassment of Students Prohibited), 7:240 (Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities ), 7:305 (Student Concussions and Head Injuries), 7:340 (Student Records)

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### STUDENTS

#### **7:315 Restrictions on Publications; High Schools**

##### Definitions

**Libel** means the willful or negligent publication of provably false and unprivileged statements of fact that do demonstrable harm to a living person's reputation.

**Obscene** means lewd; impure; indecent; calculated to shock the moral sense of humans by a disregard of chastity or modesty. Objectionable or offensive to accepted standards of decency.

**School official** means a Building Principal or designee.

**School-sponsored media** means any material that is prepared, substantially written, published, or broadcast by a student journalist, distributed or generally made available to members of the student body, and prepared under the direction of a student media advisor. It does not include media intended for distribution or transmission solely in the classroom in which the media is produced.

**Slander** means the speaking of false statements of fact that seriously harm a living person's reputation.

**Student journalist** means a public high school student who gathers, compiles, writes, edits, photographs, records, or prepares information for dissemination in school-sponsored media.

**Student media adviser** means an individual employed, appointed, or designated by the District to supervise or provide instruction relating to school-sponsored media.

##### School-Sponsored Media

School-sponsored publications, productions, and websites are governed by the Speech Rights of Student Journalists Act and Board of Education policies, and student journalists are responsible for determining the news, opinion, feature, and advertising content of those publications, productions, and websites.

Student journalists shall strive to:

1. Make decisions based upon news value and guided by the Code of Ethics provided by the Society of Professional Journalists, National Scholastic Press Association, Journalism Education Association, or other relevant group;
2. Produce media based upon professional standards of accuracy, objectivity, and fairness;
3. Review material to improve sentence structure, grammar, spelling, and punctuation;
4. Check and verify all facts and verify the accuracy of all quotations; and
5. In the use of personal opinions, editorial statements, and/or letters to the editor, determine the need to provide opportunity and space for the expression of differing opinions within the same media to align with the District's media literacy curriculum mandate in [105 ILCS 5/27-20.08](#).

Student journalists may not create, produce, or distribute school-sponsored media that:

1. Is libelous, slanderous, or obscene;
2. Constitutes an unwarranted invasion of privacy;
3. Violates federal or State law, including the Constitutional rights of third parties; or
4. Incites students to:
  - a. Commit an unlawful act;
  - b. Violate any of the District's policies, including but not limited to (1) its educational mission in policies 1:30, *School District Philosophy* and 6:10, *Educational Philosophy and Objectives*, and (2) speech that is socially inappropriate or inappropriate due to the maturity of the students pursuant to policies 6:65, *Student Social and Emotional Development* and 7:180 *Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment*; or
  - c. Materially and substantially disrupt the orderly operation of the school.

The District will not engage in prior restraint of material prepared by student journalists for school-sponsored media, unless the material fits into one of the four prohibited categories listed above, in which case the Superintendent or designee and/or student media adviser may review, edit, and delete such media material before publication or distribution of the media. In such cases, the student media adviser will promptly provide the student journalist with a written justification prior to limiting the material.

No expression made by students in the exercise of freedom of speech or freedom of the press under this policy shall be deemed to be an expression of the District or an expression of Board policy.

#### Non-School Sponsored Publications Accessed or Distributed On Campus

For purposes of this section and the following section, a *publication* includes, without limitation: (1) written or electronic print material, (2) audio-visual material on any medium including electromagnetic media (e.g., images, digital files, flash memory, etc.), or combinations of these whether off-line (e.g., a printed book, digital files, etc.) or online (e.g., any website, social networking site, database for information retrieval, etc.), or (3) information or material on electronic devices (e.g., text or voice messages delivered by cell phones, tablets, and other hand-held devices).

Creating, distributing, and/or accessing non-school sponsored publications shall occur at a time and place and in a manner that will not cause disruption, be coercive, or result in the perception that the distribution or the publication is endorsed by the School District.

Students are prohibited from creating, distributing, and/or accessing at school any publication that:

1. Will cause a material and substantial disruption of the proper and orderly operation and discipline of the school or school activities;
2. Violates the rights of others, including but not limited to material that is libelous, slanderous or obscene, invades the privacy of others, or infringes on a copyright;
3. Is socially inappropriate or inappropriate due to maturity level of the students, including but not limited to material that is obscene, pornographic, or pervasively lewd and vulgar, contains indecent and vulgar language, or *sexting* as defined by School Board policy [7:190, Student Behavior](#), [PRESSPlus1](#) and/or Student Handbooks;
4. Is reasonably viewed as promoting illegal drug use;
5. Is distributed in kindergarten through eighth grade and is primarily prepared by non-students, unless it is being used for school purposes. However, material from outside sources or the

citation to such sources may be allowed, as long as the material to be distributed or accessed is primarily prepared by students; or

6. Encourages or incites students to violate any Board policies.

Accessing or distributing *on-campus* includes accessing or distributing on school property or at school-related activities. A student engages in gross disobedience and misconduct and may be disciplined for: (1) accessing or distributing forbidden material, or (2) for writing, creating, or publishing such material intending for it to be accessed or distributed at school.

#### Non-School Sponsored Publications Accessed or Distributed Off-Campus

A student engages in gross disobedience and misconduct and may be disciplined for creating and/or distributing a publication that: (1) causes a substantial disruption or a foreseeable risk of a substantial disruption to school operations, or (2) interferes with the rights of other students or staff members.

#### Bullying and Cyberbullying

The Superintendent or designee shall treat behavior that is *bullying* and/or *cyberbullying* according to Board policy 7:180, *Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment*, in addition to any response required by this policy.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/27-20.08](#) and [5/27-23.7](#).

[105 ILCS 80/](#), Speech Rights of Student Journalists Act.

[Tinker v. Des Moines Indep. Cmty. Sch. Dist.](#), 393 U.S. 503 (1969).

[Hazelwood v. Kuhlmeier](#), 484 U.S. 260 (1988).

[Morse v. Frederick](#), 551 U.S. 393 (2007).

*Hedges v. Wauconda Cmty. Unit Sch. Dist. No. 118*, 9 F.3d 1295 (7th Cir. 1993).

CROSS REF.: 1:30 (School District Philosophy), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives), 6:65 (Student Social and Emotional Development), 6:235 (Access to Electronic Networks), 7:180 (Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment), 7:190 (Student Behavior), 7:190 (Student Behavior), 7:310 (Restrictions on Publication; Elementary Schools), 8:25 (Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities)

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#### **PRESSPlus Comments**

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### COMMUNITY RELATIONS

#### 8:80 Gifts to the District

The Board of Education appreciates gifts from any education foundation, other entities, or individuals. All gifts must adhere to each of the following:

1. Be accepted by the Board or, if less than \$10,000 in value, the Superintendent or designee. Individuals should obtain a pre-acceptance commitment before identifying the District, any school, or school program or activity as a beneficiary in any fundraising attempt, including without limitation, any Internet fundraising attempt.
2. Be given without a stated purpose or with a purpose deemed by the party with authority to accept the gift to be compatible with the Board's educational objectives and policies.
3. Be consistent with the District's mandate to provide equal educational and extracurricular opportunities to all students in the District as provided in Board policy 7:10, *Equal Educational Opportunities*. State and federal laws require the District to provide equal treatment for members of both sexes to educational programming, extracurricular activities, and athletics. This includes the distribution of athletic benefits and opportunities.
4. Permit the District to maintain resource equity among its learning centers.
5. Be viewpoint neutral when the gift involves the incorporation of any messages. [PRESSPlus1](#) The Superintendent or designee shall manage a process for the review and approval of donations involving the incorporation of messages into or placing messages upon school property.
6. Comply with all laws applicable to the District including, without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Prevailing Wage Act, the Health/Life Safety Code for Public Schools, and all applicable procurement and bidding requirements.

The District will provide equal treatment to all individuals and entities seeking to donate money or a gift. Upon acceptance, all gifts become the District's property. The acceptance of a gift is not an endorsement by the Board, District, or school of any product, service, activity, or program. The method of recognition is determined by the party accepting the gift.

LEGAL REF.:

[20 U.S.C. §1681](#) et seq., Title IX of the Education Amendments; ~~implemented by~~ [34 C.F.R. Part 106.](#)

[105 ILCS 5/16-1.](#)

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §200.40.](#)

CROSS REF.: 4:60 (Purchases and Contracts), 4:150 (Facility Management and Building Programs), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives), 6:210 (Instructional Materials), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities)

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### Board Member Development

#### **2:120-E1 Exhibit - Guidelines for Serving as a Mentor to a New Board of Education Member**

On District letterhead [PRESSPlus1](#)

Date

Dear Board of Education Member:

Thank you for agreeing to serve as a mentor to a new Board member. The goal of the mentoring program is to orient a new Board member to the Board and District and to help the new Board member be comfortable and become an effective member of our governance team. Follow these guidelines to maximize your mentoring effectiveness:

1. During your first contact with the new Board member, introduce yourself and explain that you will serve as the new Board member's mentor and are looking forward to sharing information about the Board and District. If possible, meet with the individual to become acquainted. Be available as needed to provide assistance, advice, and support. The Superintendent's office will have already provided the new Board member with a web link or paper copy of the Board's policies, as well as other helpful material.
2. Share your knowledge and experiences with the new Board member. Take a personal interest in helping the new Board member succeed.
3. Try to develop an informal, collegial relationship with the new Board member – explain that you are there to help. Listen respectfully to all concerns and answer questions honestly.
4. Be prepared to introduce the new Board member at upcoming Board events until the new Board member becomes a familiar face.
5. Be available and maintain a helpful attitude.

Being a mentor can bring rewards to you, the new Board member, and the District. You will assist the new Board member in becoming an effective member of the Board and ensuring skilled and knowledgeable future leadership for the District. Thank you for your assistance and commitment.

Sincerely,

Board of Education President

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#### **PRESSPlus Comments**

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### Board of Education Meeting Procedure

## **2:220-E4 Exhibit - Open Meeting Minutes**

### **Meeting Minutes Protocol** [PRESSPlus1](#)

1. Meeting minutes are the permanent record of the proceedings during a Board of Education meeting. All Board action must be recorded in the minutes; thus, the minutes focus on Board action.
2. The minutes only include information provided at the meeting. Information may not be corrected or updated in the minutes unless it was discussed at the meeting.
3. Minutes include a summary of the Board's discussion on an agenda topic; the minutes do not state what is said verbatim. The minutes do not repeat the same point made by different individuals. If appropriate, the minutes include a brief background and an explanation of the circumstances surrounding an issue discussed. The minutes do not include the names of Board members making specific points during discussion. Requests from individual Board members to include their vote or an opinion in the minutes are handled according to Board policy 2:220, *Board of Education Meeting Procedure*.
4. The minutes include the topic of reports that are made to the Board including reports from the Superintendent or a Board committee. Written reports are filed with the minutes but do not become part of the minutes.
5. The minutes note when a member is not present for the entire meeting due to late arrival and/or early departure.
6. Although items may be considered by the Board in a different order than appeared on the agenda, items in the minutes are generally recorded in the same order as they appeared on the agenda. When a meeting is reconvened on a different date, the minutes must describe what happened on each meeting date.
7. The minutes should be recorded in an objective tone. Answers and explanations, rather than questions, are recorded. Writing style, including choice of words and sentence structure, is at the discretion of the individual recording the minutes.
8. The minutes include individuals' names who speak during the meeting's public participation segment as well as the topics they address. All written documents presented at a Board meeting are filed with the minutes but do not become part of the minutes.
9. The following template generally governs meeting minutes.

### **Open Meeting Minutes**

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Time:\_\_\_\_\_

Location:\_\_\_\_\_

Type of meeting: ☐ Regular ☐ Special ☐ Reconvened or rescheduled ☐ Emergency

Name of person taking the minutes:\_\_\_\_\_

Name of person presiding:\_\_\_\_\_

Meeting minutes are the property of the Board of Education.

Members in attendance:                      members absent:

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Members in attendance remotely (by audio or video conference):

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| 1. |
| 2. |
| 3. |

### Approval of Agenda

List any items removed from the consent agenda:

Motion made by:\_\_\_\_\_

Motion: ☐ To approve

☐ To add items as follows: *(No action may be taken on newagenda items.)*

Motion seconded

by:\_\_\_\_\_

Action: ☐ Passed ☐ Failed

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes *(Needed only if this item is not on the consent agenda.)*

Minutes from the Board meeting held on:\_\_\_\_\_

Motion made by:\_\_\_\_\_

Motion: ☐ To approve

☐ To approve subject to incorporation of the following amendment(s):

Motion seconded

by:\_\_\_\_\_

Action: ☐ Passed ☐ Failed

### Approval of Items on Consent Agenda *(Delete if the Board does not use a consent agenda. This may include expense advancements, reimbursements, and/or purchase orders regulated by the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act (see Board policies 2:125, Board Member Compensation; Expenses, and 5:60, Expenses))*

Summary of discussion:

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by:\_\_\_\_\_

Motion seconded

by:\_\_\_\_\_

Roll Call: *(Needed when consent agenda contains an item involvina the expenditure of money.)*

“Yeas”

“Nays”

Action: ☐ Passed ☐ Failed

**Public Comments** *(Reproduce this section for each individual making a comment.)*

The following individual appeared and commented on the topic noted below: *(Include the title of any documents presented to the Board.)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

**Remaining Agenda Items** *(Reproduce this section for each agenda item.)*

Agenda item: \_\_\_\_\_

Summary of discussion: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion to: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion seconded

by: \_\_\_\_\_

Action: ☐ Passed ☐ Failed

*(If a roll call vote occurred, record the vote of individual Board members.)*

“Yeas”

“Nays”

**If Applicable, Approval of Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting** *(Insert exhibit 2:220-E2, Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting.)*

**Approval of Motion to Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion seconded

by: \_\_\_\_\_

Action: ☐ Passed ☐ Failed

Time of adjournment: \_\_\_\_\_

**Post-Meeting Action**

Date minutes approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Date minutes were available for public inspection: \_\_\_\_\_

Date minutes were posted on District website: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Board of Education Meeting Procedure

#### **2:220-E9 Exhibit - Requirements for No Physical Presence of Quorum and Participation by Audio or Video During Disaster Declaration**

*Use this exhibit to document the Board's and/or its committee(s)'s (5 ILCS 120/1.02) processes to comply with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) when a board and/or its committee(s) must meet during a disaster declaration related to a public health emergency/concern, and the meeting will have no physical presence of a quorum and participation by audio or video.* [PRESSPlus1](#)

**Note:** If a Board committee uses this exhibit, replace Board President, Vice President, and Superintendent with the appropriate committee leaders.

**Consult the Board Attorney for guidance.**

#### Documentation of OMA Requirements for Board Members to Participate in a Meeting with No Physical Presence of Quorum

☐ The Governor or the Director of the Ill. Dept. of Public Health has issued a disaster declaration related to a public health emergency because of a disaster as defined in 20 ILCS 3305/4, and all or part of the jurisdiction of the Board is covered by the disaster area. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(1). **Note:** OMA uses "public health concerns," but the Ill. Emergency Management Agency Act (IEMA) uses "public health emergency," this exhibit matches the IEMA term because it governs disaster declarations.

*Insert Disaster Declaration or Executive Order number [ ] or attach to this document.*

☐ The Board President or, if the office is vacant or the President is absent or unable to perform the office's duties, the Vice President, or if neither the President nor Vice President are present or able to perform this determination, the Superintendent (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(2) and 140/2(e)) signs below that the following three **Steps** were executed by:

**Step 1.** Determining whether the meeting is a bona fide emergency (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(7)) (*check Yes or No, below*):

☐ Yes; it is an emergency meeting, and I:

- a. Notified the Board members and the public, including any news medium which has filed an annual request for notice of meetings as soon as practicable, but in any event prior to the holding of such meeting pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.02(a) and 120/7(e)(7)(A);
- b. Stated the nature of the emergency at the beginning of the meeting; and
- c. Provided the Superintendent or Board Secretary the resources necessary during the meeting to keep a verbatim record of the meeting, **for both open and closed**, and managed it the same way that the Board complies with the verbatim recording requirements for closed meetings (see exhibit 2:220-E1, *Board Treatment of Closed Meeting Verbatim Recordings and Minutes*).

**Note:** In this situation, a verbatim recording is not limited to closed meetings only.



d. Move to Step 2, below.

☐ No; it is a regular or special meeting, and I:

- a. Ensured that the Board provided 48 hours' notice of the meeting to all Board members, to any news medium on file in the District that have requested notice of meetings pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.02(a), and to members of the public by posting it on the District's website. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(7). **Note:** 5 ILCS 120/7(e) does not have the "if any" exception for school boards that do not have websites. Consult the Board Attorney regarding alternate ways to communicate notice of a meeting when the District does not have a website and a Disaster Declaration or Executive Order has been issued.

*Insert meeting date and time, and a link to the meeting notice or attach a copy of the notice to this document.*

b. Move to Step 2, below.

**Step 2.** Determining whether it is practical, prudent, or feasible for any in-person attendance at the regular meeting location (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(2)). (*check Yes or No, below*):

☐ Yes; in-person attendance is practical, prudent, or feasible, and I:

- a. Ensured that at least one Board member, the Board Attorney, or the Superintendent was physically present at the regular meeting location (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(5)), and
- b. Verified that members of the public who were present could hear all discussion and testimony and all votes of the members of the Board. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(4).
- c. Move to Step 3, below.

☐ No; in-person attendance is not practical, prudent, or feasible, and I:

- a. Made a written determination referring to the specific Executive Order or Disaster Declaration citing the public health concern/emergency that applies to the Board and the meeting. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(1) and (2).
- b. Included the written determination made in letter a., above, on the Board's published notice and agenda for the alternative arrangements for the meeting. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(7)(A).
- c. Offered the alternative arrangements to the public by offering a telephone number or a web-based link. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(4).

*Insert a link to the meeting notice or attach a copy of the notice or refer to above if already attached to this document (see above).*

*Include this written determination on the Board/committee's published notice and agenda for the audio or video meeting, and in the meeting minutes.*

d. Move to Step 3, below.

**Step 3.** During the meeting, I:

☐ Directed the Recording Secretary to, in addition to the requirements for open meetings under OMA, also keep verbatim record of the open meeting by recording it and making it open and available to the public under all provisions of OMA. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(9). *Sample text follows below in the*

**subhead Report to the Public Following the Board's Meeting with No Physical Presence of Quorum.**

☐ Read my written determination referring to the specific Executive Order or Disaster Declaration citing the public health concern/emergency that applies to the Board and the meeting and directed the Recording Secretary to include it in the meeting minutes.

☐ Ensured that any interested member of the public has access to contemporaneously hear all discussion, testimony, and roll call votes. 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(4).

☐ Requested the Recording Secretary to enter into the appropriate minutes of the Board that each Board member participating in the meeting, wherever their physical locations:

1. Announced themselves present (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(3)), and
2. Verified that they could hear one another and all discussion and testimony. Id.

See exhibits 2:220-E3, *Closed Meeting Minutes* and/or 2:220-E4, *Open Meeting Minutes*.

*Attach to this document copies or information about where these minutes may be found.*

☐ Announced and considered each Board member participating in the meeting present at the meeting for purposes of determining a quorum and participating in all proceedings (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(8)) and directed the Recording Secretary to reflect it in the minutes (best practice for transparency).

☐ Conducted all votes by roll call, so each Board member's vote on each issue could be identified and recorded (5 ILCS 120/7(e)(6)), and ensured that the Recording Secretary entered all votes as **Roll Call Votes** (Use exhibit 2:220-E4, *Open Meeting Minutes*, but ensure all votes are recorded as roll call votes pursuant to the example below):

"Yeas"	"Nays"
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**Motion:** ☐ Carried ☐ Failed

☐ Executed or directed execution of the subhead below **Report to the Public Following the Board's Meeting with No Physical Presence of Quorum.**

Report to the Public Following the Board's Meeting with No Physical Presence of Quorum

*The text below may be used for the actual report.*

The Board of Education met on *[insert date]* with no physical presence of quorum to conduct its business.

The verbatim *[circle one]* audio | video recording of this meeting is available to the public under all provisions of OMA and will be destroyed pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06(c)(no less than 18 months after the completion of the meeting recorded but only after: (1) the Board approves the destruction of the particular recording; and (2) the Board approves minutes of the meeting that meet the written minutes requirements of OMA). 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(9).

*Insert links to the verbatim recording of meeting here or attach to this document.*

**Note:** Consult the Board Attorney for guidance on the destruction of a verbatim recording of an open meeting without the physical presence of a quorum. While 5 ILCS 120/2.06(c) refers to the process for

destroying closed session verbatim recordings, 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(9), applies that process for destroying closed session verbatim recordings to the destruction of the verbatim open session recordings that are required when a board determines it is necessary for it to meet without the physical presence of a quorum due to a public health emergency.

Completed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Board Policy Development

#### 2:240-E1 Exhibit - PRESS Issue Updates

This exhibit is for **PRESS** subscribers. For subscribers to **PRESS Plus**, IASB's full-maintenance policy update service, the **PRESS Plus** Online User Guide and video tutorials, available at [www.iasb.com/policy-services-and-school-law/policy-services/press-plus/](http://www.iasb.com/policy-services-and-school-law/policy-services/press-plus/), provide further guidance. [PRESSPlus1](#)

Actor	Action
Superintendent	<p>Manages the process for the Board to receive <b>PRESS</b> updates to policies.</p> <p>Requests review of recommended revisions by the Board Attorney, as appropriate.</p> <p>Manages the Board's compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Ensures that, as appropriate, the agendas for the Board Policy Committee and full Board include discussion and list action to consider, adopt, implement, or revise Board policies and Board exhibits.</p> <p>Manages the process for approving new or revised administrative procedures, administrative procedure exhibits, and changes to employee and student handbooks.</p> <p>Communicates all policy and administrative procedure revisions or adoptions, as appropriate, to staff members, parents, students, and community members.</p>
Superintendent or Superintendent's Secretary	<p>Updates the District's <i>Roster</i> as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Go to <a href="http://www.iasb.com">www.iasb.com</a> and click on the <b>Member Login</b> button.</li> <li>2. Log in using your email address and password. If you do not know your password, use the "forgot your password?" link.</li> <li>3. At the bottom of your Profile page, click on <b>Districts You Manage</b> and then the District name.</li> <li>4. Review and verify or change the District's existing records. Ensure that all current board members, administrators, and anyone else on staff who needs access to <b>PRESS</b> Online are listed with their current email addresses. For detailed roster management instructions, see <a href="http://www.iasb.com/IASB/media/Documents/rostermanagementinstructions.pdf">www.iasb.com/IASB/media/Documents/rostermanagementinstructions.pdf</a>.</li> </ol>
	<p>Logs in to <b>PRESS</b> Online as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Go to <a href="http://www.iasb.com">www.iasb.com</a> and click on the <b>Member Login</b> button.</li> <li>2. Log in using your email address and password. If you do not know your password, use the "forgot your password?" link.</li> <li>3. Under "<b>Quick Links</b>," click "<b>PRESS Login</b>."</li> </ol>

Designated support staff	<p>To each member of the Policy Committee, full Board, and/or other interested school official, emails or otherwise distributes the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>PRESS Update Memo</b>;</li> <li>2. <b>PRESS</b> video tutorial link at: <a href="http://www.iasb.com/policy-services-and-school-law/policy-services/press-policy-reference-education-subscription-serv/">www.iasb.com/policy-services-and-school-law/policy-services/press-policy-reference-education-subscription-serv/</a>;</li> <li>3. Committee worksheets (showing tracked changes in redline); and</li> <li>4. Current District policy in relevant areas.</li> </ol> <p>As appropriate, includes new and revised policies in the Board meeting packets.</p> <p>After a policy is adopted or revised, updates the District's policy manual master electronic file and adds or updates adoption dates.</p> <p>Archives previous version of revised policy.</p> <p>Follows District process for updating paper and online manuals.</p> <p>Considers distributing the <b>PRESS Update Memo</b> to Building Principals.</p>
Policy Committee (or Full Board)	<p>Considers each <b>PRESS</b> update. Reviews all footnote changes.</p> <p>Decides which changes require Board discussion and which are appropriate as consent agenda items. Policies or policy revisions may be appropriate for a consent agenda when providing for legal compliance; updating legal references; correcting substantive grammar, spelling, or punctuation; or clarifying pre-existing policy language.</p> <p>Presents recommendations regarding <b>PRESS</b> updates to the Board at a regularly scheduled meeting.</p>
Full Board	<p>Conducts a first reading of the policies that are recommended for adoption or revision. Policies may be adopted after a first reading when: (1) appropriate for a consent agenda because no Board discussion is required, or (2) necessary or prudent in order to meet emergency or special conditions or to be legally compliant.</p> <p>During the next regular meeting, conducts a second reading.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A second reading allows the Board to hear feedback from interested parties, including staff, parents, students, and community members; however, State law does not require two readings.</p> <p>After the second reading, consider and take action to approve the policies at a duly convened open meeting.</p>
Assistant Superintendents, Directors, Building Principals, and supervisory employees	<p>Reads the <b>PRESS Update Memo</b> (if applicable) and adopted policies, follows the Superintendent's process for updating administrative procedures, and makes necessary changes to employee and student handbooks within their assigned building(s).</p>

Anyone	For further clarification, view the online tutorial for <b>PRESS</b> , available at <a href="http://www.iasb.com/policy-services-and-school-law/policy-services/press-policy-reference-education-subscription-serv/">www.iasb.com/policy-services-and-school-law/policy-services/press-policy-reference-education-subscription-serv/</a> .
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### Board Policy Development

#### 2:240-E2 Exhibit - Developing Local Policy

Actor <a href="#">PRESSPlus1</a>	Action
Anyone (Superintendent, Board of Education member, staff, parent, student, community member, or Board Attorney)	Brings a concern that may necessitate a new policy or a current policy's revision to the attention of the Board of Education.
Superintendent	<p>Confers with the Board Attorney as appropriate.</p> <p>Manages the Board's compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Ensures that, as appropriate, the agendas for the Board Policy Committee and full Board include discussion and list actions to consider, adopt, implement, or revise Board policies and Board exhibits.</p> <p>Manages the process for approving new or revised administrative procedures, administrative procedure exhibits, and changes to employee and student handbooks.</p> <p>Communicates all policy and administrative procedure revisions or adoptions as appropriate to staff members, parents, students, and community members.</p>
Policy Committee (or Full Board)	<p><b>First</b>, answers these questions to decide whether new policy language is needed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the IASB Policy Reference Manual provide guidance?</li> <li>2. Is the request something that should be covered in policy (i.e., Board work), or is it something that should be covered in an administrative procedure (i.e., staff work)?</li> <li>3. Is it already covered in Board policy? Checks for policies that cover similar or connected topics. Tools such as search engines, Tables of Contents, cross references, and indexes at <b>PRESS</b> Online can be used to identify relevant policy numbers to check for in the Board's policy manual.</li> </ol> <p><b>Second</b>, uses a 3-step process to draft new policy language:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Frames the question and discusses the topic.</li> <li>2. Requests the Superintendent to provide research, including appropriate data, and input from others, such as those who may be affected by the policy and those who will implement the policy.</li> </ol>

	<p>3. Drafts or requests the Superintendent or Board Attorney to draft language addressing the concern that aligns with the Board's mission, vision, goals, and objectives.</p> <p><b>Third</b>, decides whether the new language should be included in an existing policy or added as a new policy. Assigns any new policy an appropriate location and number.</p> <p>The <b>PRESS</b> coding system reserves policy numbers ending in a '0' and '5' for <b>PRESS</b> material. Locally developed Board policies should use policy numbers ending in 2, 4, 6, or 8.</p>
Full Board	<p>Conducts a first reading of the policy that is recommended for adoption or revision. Policies may be adopted after a first reading when: (1) appropriate for a consent agenda because no Board discussion is required, or (2) necessary or prudent in order to meet emergency or special conditions or to be legally compliant.</p> <p>During the next regular meeting, conducts a second reading.</p> <p>A second reading allows the Board to hear feedback from interested parties, including staff, parents, students, and community members; however, State law does not require two readings.</p> <p>After the second reading, consider and take action to approve the policy at a duly convened open meeting.</p>
Designated support staff	<p>After a policy is adopted or revised, updates the District's policy manual master electronic file and adds or updates adoption dates.</p> <p>Archives previous version of revised policy.</p> <p>Follows District process for updating paper and online manuals.</p>
Assistant Superintendents, Directors, Building Principals, and supervisory employees	<p>Reads adopted policies, follows the Superintendent's process for updating administrative procedures, and makes necessary changes to employee and student handbooks within their assigned building(s).</p>

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## **SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION**

### **1:10 School District Legal Status**

The [Constitution of the State of Illinois](#) requires the State to provide for an efficient system of high-quality public education institutions and services in order to achieve the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capacities. [PRESSPlus1](#)

The [Constitution of the State of Illinois](#) places the responsibility of establishing and maintaining public schools on the General Assembly and directs the General Assembly to provide for a State Board of Education which has general supervision of public schools. The School Code of the State of Illinois provides that local school districts shall be governed by a properly elected Board of school directors, or Board of Education under the general supervision of the State Board of Education. Legally, then, local school boards are instruments of the Illinois General Assembly and derive their authority from the Illinois Statutes, and the regulations of the State Board of Education.

The General Assembly has implemented this mandate through the creation of school districts. The District is governed by the laws for school districts serving a resident population of not fewer than 1,000 and not more than 500,000.

By recognizing the law, tradition, and ethics, local school boards have responsibilities to the local citizenry they serve and to the personnel they employ. Recognizing this three dimensional concept of source of authority and responsibility, the Board of Education is the policy making body for the District's schools and serves within the framework provided by law, the will of the local citizenry and the ethics of the personnel employed by the Board of Education.

The School District constitutes a body corporate which possesses all the usual powers of a corporation for public purposes, and in that name may sue and be sued, purchase, hold and sell personal property and real estate, and enter into such obligations as are authorized by law.

LEGAL REF.:

[Ill. Constitution, Art. X](#), Sec. 1.

[105 ILCS 5/10-1](#) *et seq.*

CROSS REF.: 2:10 (School District Governance), 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification)

Adopted: August 23, 2021

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## **SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION**

### **1:20 District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements**

The District is organized and operates as a Unit District serving the needs of children in grades pre-kindergarten through 12 and others as required by the School Code. [PRESSPlus1](#)

The District enters into and participates in joint programs and intergovernmental agreements with units of local government and other school districts in order to jointly provide services and activities in a manner that will increase flexibility, scope of service opportunities, cost reductions, and/or otherwise benefit the District and the community. The Superintendent shall manage these activities to the extent the program or agreement requires the District's participation, and shall provide periodic implementation or operational data and/or reports to the Board of Education concerning these programs and agreements.

LEGAL REF.:

[Ill. Constitution, Art. VII](#), Sec. 10.

[5 ILCS 220/](#), Intergovernmental Cooperation Act.

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## SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

### 1:30 School District Philosophy

#### Educational Philosophy [PRESSPlus1](#)

The Board of Education has adopted the following mission and beliefs to serve as the foundation for school policy and to give direction to every aspect of the school program:

#### **Mission Statement**

Lisle District 202 is committed to providing our learning community with the essential education, skills, and experiences for future success.

#### Beliefs

- **Student Focus** - The success of our education system is measured by the success of our students.
- **Excellence** - We are committed to approaches and practices which maximize the educational impact for students.
- **Equity** - We believe in the power of fostering an educational environment that embraces the principles of equity, diversity and inclusion. We strive to integrate these principles into school curriculum, policies, programs and operations, to ensure every student is welcomed and supported in a respectful learning environment. We strongly oppose racism, discrimination, and bullying of any kind.
- **Continuous Improvement** - Continuous school improvement is necessary to improve student achievement.
- **Accountability** - We focus on results reflecting and balancing the needs and interests of students and all stakeholders.
- **Teamwork** - We work together to achieve District goals.
- **Service** - We believe educators should be responsive to students, parents, and the community.
- **Fiscal Responsibility** - Resources must be provided and managed in a fiscally responsible manner.

School policy, instruction and operations are to be guided by the above Mission and Beliefs to ensure the educational program will provide each student with the opportunity to develop to his/her fullest capacity in the areas of mental, physical, and emotional needs.

The Board of Education is committed to providing equal educational opportunities to all of the students it serves.

#### Strategic Planning

The Board of Education believes that strategic planning is essential for the continuation and growth of the School District.

1. Constant review and evaluation of curriculum and instruction are necessary for growth and to achieve excellence.
2. Educational leadership, as provided by the Superintendent, is necessary for the attainment of the District's long-range and short-range goals.
3. Fiscal responsibility is achieved and maintained through planning.
4. The administration staff is charged with the responsibility of keeping the Board assessed of the current and future status of the District's programs through periodic reports. The reports shall include:
  - a. An evaluation of the present educational and financial status of the District;
  - b. Projection of educational and financial needs;
  - c. Implementation of educational and financial plans.
  - d. The status of annual goals/objectives of the Board.

The Board of Education shall initiate the development and periodic reviews and updates of the Continuous Improvement Plan. The strategic planning process shall involve the input of representatives of all stakeholders of District 202.

CROSS REF: 2:10 (School District Governance), 3:10 (Goals and Objectives), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives)

Adopted: August 23, 2021

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## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

### **2:10 School District Governance**

The District is governed by a Board of Education consisting of seven members. The Board's powers and duties include the authority to adopt, enforce, and monitor all policies for the management and governance of the District's schools. [PRESSPlus1](#)

Official action by the Board may only occur at a duly called and legally conducted meeting. Except as otherwise provided by the Open Meetings Act, a quorum must be physically present at the meeting.

As stated in the Board member oath of office prescribed by the School Code, a Board member has no legal authority as an individual.

LEGAL REF.:

[5 ILCS 120/](#), Open Meetings Act.

[105 ILCS 5/10-1](#), [5/10-10](#), [5/10-12](#), [5/10-16.5](#), [5/10-16.7](#), and [5/10-20.5](#).

CROSS REF.: 1:10 (School District Legal Status), 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification), 2:80 (Board Member Oath and Conduct), 2:120 (Board Member Development), 2:200 (Types of Board of Education Meetings), 2:220 (Board of Education Meeting Procedure)

Adopted: August 23, 2021

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### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

#### **2:240 Board Policy Development**

The Board of Education governs using written policies. Written policies ensure legal compliance, establish Board processes, articulate District ends, delegate authority, and define operating limits. Board policies also provide the basis for monitoring progress toward District ends. [PRESSPlus1](#)

##### Policy Development

Anyone may propose new policies, changes to existing policies, or elimination of existing policies. Staff suggestions should be processed through the Superintendent. Suggestions from all others should be made to the Board President or the Superintendent.

A Board Policy Committee will consider all policy suggestions, and provide information and recommendations to the Board.

The Superintendent is responsible for: (1) providing relevant policy information and data to the Board, (2) notifying those who will implement or be affected by or required to implement a proposed policy and obtaining their advice and suggestions, and (3) having policy recommendations drafted into written form for Board deliberation. The Superintendent shall seek the counsel of the Board attorney when appropriate.

##### Policy Adoption and Dissemination

Policies or policy revisions will not be adopted at the Board meeting at which they are first introduced, except when: (1) appropriate for a consent agenda because no Board discussion is required, or (2) necessary or prudent in order to meet emergency or special conditions or to be legally compliant. Further Board consideration may be given at a subsequent meeting(s) and after opportunity for community input. The adoption of a policy will serve to supersede all previously adopted policies on the same topic.

The Board policies are available for public inspection in the District's main office during regular office hours. Copy requests should be made pursuant to Board policy 2:250, *Access to District Public Records*.

##### Board Policy Review and Monitoring

The Board will periodically review its policies for relevancy, monitor its policies for effectiveness, and consider whether any modifications are required.

##### Words Importing Gender

Throughout this policy manual, words importing the masculine and/or feminine gender include all gender neutral/inclusive pronouns.

##### Superintendent Implementation

The Board will support any reasonable interpretation of Board policy made by the Superintendent. If reasonable minds differ, the Board will review the applicable policy and consider the need for further clarification.

In the absence of Board policy, the Superintendent is authorized to take appropriate action.

## Suspension of Policies

The Board, by a majority vote of members present at any meeting, may temporarily suspend a Board policy except those provisions that are controlled by law or contract provided that the Board's action includes reviewing the subject at a future Board meeting. The failure to suspend with a specific motion does not invalidate the Board action.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-20.5.](#)

CROSS REF.: 2:150 (Committees), 2:250 (Access to District Public Records), 3:40 (Superintendent)

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### **GENERAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION**

#### **3:30 Chain of Command**

The Superintendent shall develop an organizational chart indicating the channels of authority and reporting relationships for school personnel. These channels should be followed, and no level should be bypassed except in unusual situations. [PRESSPlus1](#)

All personnel should refer matters requiring administrative action to the responsible administrator, and may appeal a decision to a higher administrative officer. Whenever possible, each employee should be responsible to only one immediate supervisor. When this is not possible, the division of responsibility must be clear.

CROSS REF.: 1:20 (District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements), 2:140 (Communications To and From the Board), 3:70 (Succession of Authority), 8:110 (Public Suggestions and Concerns)

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## OPERATIONAL SERVICES

### **4:50 Payment Procedures**

The Treasurer shall prepare a list of all due and payable bills, indicating vendor name and amount, and shall present it to the Board of Education in advance of the Board's first regular monthly meeting or, if necessary, a special meeting. These bills are reviewed by the Board, after which they may be approved for payment by Board order. Approval of all bills shall be given by a roll call vote and the votes shall be recorded in the minutes. The Treasurer shall pay the bills after receiving a Board order or pertinent portions of the Board minutes, even if the minutes are unapproved, provided the order or minutes are signed by the Board President and Secretary, or a majority of the Board. [PRESSPlus1](#)

The Treasurer is authorized, without further Board approval, to pay Social Security taxes, wages, pension contributions, utility bills, and other recurring bills. These disbursements shall be included in the listing of bills presented to the Board.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to establish revolving funds and a petty cash fund system for school cafeterias, lunchrooms, athletics, or similar purposes, provided such funds are maintained in accordance with Board policy 4:80, *Accounting and Audits*, and remain in the custody of an employee who is properly bonded according to State law.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/8-16](#), [5/10-7](#), and [5/10-20.19](#).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §100.70](#).

CROSS REF.: 4:55 (Use of Credit and Procurement Cards), 4:60 (Purchases and Contracts), 4:80 (Accounting and Audits)

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### OPERATIONAL SERVICES

#### **4:90 Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds**

The Board of Education, upon the Superintendent or designee's recommendation, establishes student activity funds to be managed by student organizations under the guidance and direction of a staff member for educational, recreational, or cultural purposes. The Board, upon the Superintendent or designee's recommendation, establishes fiduciary funds to be supervised by the Superintendent or designee. The District has custodial responsibilities for fiduciary funds but no direct involvement in the management of such funds. [PRESSPlus1](#)

##### Student Activity Funds

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for supervising student activity funds in accordance with Board policy 4:80, *Accounting and Audits*; State law; and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) rules for student activity funds. The Board will appoint a treasurer for each fund to serve as the fund's sole custodian and be bonded in accordance with the School Code. The treasurer shall have all of the responsibilities specific to the treasurer listed in ISBE rules for school activity funds, including the authority to make loans between activity funds.

Unless otherwise instructed by the Board, a student activity fund's balance will carry over to the next fiscal year. An account containing student activity funds that is inactive for 12 consecutive months shall be closed and its funds transferred to another student activity fund or authorized fund with a similar purpose unless otherwise reported to the Board with an explanation as to the reason for such inactivity.

At the end of the fiscal year, all balances will be carried over to the next fiscal year by each activity. Any activity fund account that has an end-of-year balance in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be reported to the Board with an explanation as to the reason for such a balance.

##### Fiduciary Funds

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for supervising fiduciary funds in accordance with Board policy 4:80, *Accounting and Audits*; State law; and ISBE rules for fiduciary funds. The Board will appoint a treasurer for each fund to serve as the fund's sole custodian and be bonded in accordance with the School Code. The treasurer shall have all of the responsibilities specific to the treasurer listed in the ISBE rules for fiduciary funds.

##### LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/8-2](#) and [5/10-20.19](#).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §§100.20](#), [100.80](#), and [100.85](#).

CROSS REF.: 4:80 (Accounting and Audits), 7:325 (Student Fundraising Activities)

Adopted: December 14, 2020

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### OPERATIONAL SERVICES

#### **4:180 Pandemic Preparedness; Management; and Recovery**

The Board of Education recognizes that the District will play an essential role along with the local health department and emergency management agencies in protecting the public's health and safety during a pandemic. [PRESSPlus1](#)

A pandemic is a global outbreak of disease. Pandemics happen when a new virus emerges to infect individuals and, because there is little to no pre-existing immunity against the new virus, it spreads sustainably.

To prepare the School District community for a pandemic, the Superintendent or designee shall: (1) learn and understand how the roles that the federal, State, and local government function; (2) form a pandemic planning team consisting of appropriate District personnel and community members to identify priorities and oversee the development and implementation of a comprehensive pandemic school action plan; and (3) build awareness of the final plan among staff, students, and community.

#### Emergency School Closing

In the case of a pandemic, the Governor may declare a disaster due to a public health emergency that may affect any decision for an emergency school closing. Decisions for an emergency school closing will be made by the Superintendent in consultation with and, if necessary, at the direction of the Governor, Ill. Dept. of Public Health, District's local health department, emergency management agencies, and/or Regional Office of Education.

During an emergency school closing, the Board President and the Superintendent may, to the extent the emergency situation allows, examine existing Board policies pursuant to Policy 2:240, *Board Policy Development*, and recommend to the Board for consideration any needed amendments or suspensions to address mandates that the District may not be able to accomplish or implement due to a pandemic.

#### Board Meeting Procedure: No Physical Presence of Quorum and Participation by Audio or Video

A disaster declaration related to a public health emergency may affect the Board's ability to meet in person and generate a quorum of members who are physically present at the location of a meeting. Policy 2:220, *Board of Education Meeting Procedure*, governs Board meetings by video or audio conference without the physical presence of a quorum.

#### Payment of Employee Salaries During Emergency School Closures

The Superintendent shall consult with the Board to determine the extent to which continued payment of salaries and benefits will be made to the District's employees, pursuant to Board policies 3:40, *Superintendent*, 3:50, *Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent*, 5:35, *Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act*, 5:200, *Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal*, and 5:270, *Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment*, and consistent with: (1) applicable laws, regulations, federal or State or local emergency declarations, executive orders, and agency

directives; (2) collective bargaining agreements and any bargaining obligations; and (3) the terms of any grant under which an employee is being paid.

#### Suspension of In-Person Instruction; Remote and/or Blended Remote Learning Day Plan(s)

When the Governor declares a disaster due to a public health emergency pursuant to [20 ILCS 3305/7](#), and the State Superintendent of Education declares a requirement for the District to use *Remote Learning Days* or *Blended Remote Learning Days*, the Superintendent shall approve and present to the Board for adoption a Remote and/or Blended Remote Learning Day Plan (Plan) that:

1. Recommends to the Board for consideration any suspensions or amendments to curriculum-related policies to reduce any Board-required graduation or other instructional requirements in excess of minimum curricular requirements specified in School Code that the District may not be able to provide due to the pandemic;
2. Implements the requirements of [105 ILCS 5/10-30](#); and
3. Ensures a plan for periodic review of and/or amendments to the Plan when needed and/or required by statute, regulation, or State guidance.

#### LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-16.7](#), [5/10-20.5](#), [5/10-20.56](#), and [5/10-30](#).

[5 ILCS 120/2.01](#) and [120/7](#)(e), Open Meetings Act.

[20 ILCS 2305/2](#)(b), Ill. Dept. of Public Health Act (Part 1).

[20 ILCS 3305/](#), Ill. Emergency Management Agency Act.

[115 ILCS 5/](#), Ill. Educational Labor Relations Act.

CROSS REF.: 1:20 (District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements), 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification), 2:220 (Board of Education Meeting Procedure), 2:240 (Board Policy Development), 3:40 (Superintendent), 3:50 (Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent), 3:70 (Succession of Authority), 4:170 (Safety), 5:35 (Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act), 5:200 (Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal), 5:270 (Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment), 6:20 (School Year Calendar and Day), 6:60 (Curriculum Content), 6:300 (Graduation Requirements), 7:90 (Release During School Hours), 8:100 (Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies)

Adopted: September 28, 2020

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### **Workplace Harassment Prohibited**

#### **5:20-E Exhibit - Resolution to Prohibit Sexual Harassment - New to District**

WHEREAS, Section 10-20 of the School Code ([105 ILCS 5/10-20](#)) grants school boards other powers that are not inconsistent with their duties; [PRESSPlus1](#)

WHEREAS, Section 1-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act ([5 ILCS 430/1-5](#)) includes school districts within the definition of a *governmental entity*;

WHEREAS, Section 5-65 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act ([5 ILCS 430/5-65](#)) provides that all persons have a right to work in an environment free from sexual harassment;

WHEREAS, Section 70-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act ([5 ILCS 430/70-5](#)) requires governmental entities to adopt an ordinance or resolution establishing a policy to prohibit sexual harassment which, at a minimum, includes: (1) a prohibition on sexual harassment; (2) details on how an individual can report an allegation of sexual harassment, including options for making a confidential report to a supervisor, ethics officer, Inspector General, or the Ill. Dept. of Human Rights; (3) a prohibition on retaliation for reporting sexual harassment allegations, including availability of whistleblower protections under the Act, the Whistleblower Act ([740 ILCS 174/](#)), and the Ill. Human Rights Act ([775 ILCS 5/](#)); (4) the consequences: (a) of a violation of the prohibition on sexual harassment; and (b) for knowingly making a false report; and (5) a mechanism for reporting and independent review of allegations of sexual harassment made against a Board member by a fellow Board member or other elected official;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Lisle Community Unit School District 202, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1: The Board adopts Board policies 2:105, *Ethics and Gift Ban*, and 5:20, *Workplace Harassment Prohibited*, attached as Exhibit A, which collectively contain the following: (1) a prohibition on sexual harassment; (2) detail regarding how an individual can report an allegation of sexual harassment, including options for making a confidential report to an immediate supervisor, the Building Principal, an administrator, the Nondiscrimination Coordinator, a Complaint Manager, or the Ill. Dept. of Human Rights; (3) a prohibition on retaliation for reporting sexual harassment allegations and a statement regarding the availability of whistleblower protections under the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, the Whistleblower Act, and the Ill. Human Rights Act; and (4) the consequences: (a) of a violation of the prohibition on sexual harassment; and (b) for knowingly making a false report, and (5) a mechanism for reporting and independent review of allegations of sexual harassment made against a Board member by a fellow Board member or other elected official.

Section 2: Any prior versions of Board policies 2:105, *Ethics and Gift Ban*, and 5:20, *Workplace Harassment Prohibited*, adopted by the Board are superseded by this Resolution.

Adopted this 16th day of December, 2019.

Attested by: Board President

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### **EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL**

#### **5:270 Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment**

##### Employment At-Will [PRESSPlus1](#)

Unless otherwise specifically provided, District employment is at-will, meaning that employment may be terminated by the District or employee at any time for any reason, other than a reason prohibited by law, or no reason at all. Nothing in Board of Education policy is intended or should be construed as altering the employment at-will relationship.

Exceptions to employment at-will may include employees who are employed annually, have an employment contract, or are otherwise granted a legitimate interest in continued employment. The Superintendent is authorized to make exceptions to employing nonlicensed employees at-will but shall maintain a record of positions or employees who are not at-will.

##### Compensation, Overtime, Work Day/Work Week

**Please refer to the following current agreement:**

**"Agreement Between the Classified Employees Association of Lisle and the Board of Education Lisle Community Unit School District No. 202 DuPage County, Illinois."**

For employees not covered by this agreement:

The Board will determine salary and wages for educational support personnel. Increments are dependent on evidence of continuing satisfactory performance. An employee covered by the overtime provisions in State or federal law shall not work overtime without the prior authorization from the employee's immediate supervisor. Educational support personnel are paid twice a month.

##### Assignment

**Please refer to the following current agreement:**

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For employees not covered by this agreement:

The Superintendent is authorized to make assignments and transfers of educational support personnel.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-22.34](#) and [5/10-23.5](#).

*Griggsville-Perry Community Unit School Dist. No. 4 v. Illinois Educ. Labor Relations Bd.*, 963 N.E.2d 332 (Ill.App.4, 2013).

*Cook v. Eldorado Community Unit School District*, No. 03-MR-32 (Ill.App.5, 2004).

*Duldulao v. St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital*, 483 N.E. 2d 956 (Ill.App.1, 1985), *aff'd* in part and remanded, 505 N.E.2d 314 (Ill. 1987).

*Kaiser v. Dixon*, 468 N.E. 2d 822 (Ill.App.2, 1984).

CROSS REF.: 5:10 (Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment) 5:35 (Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act), 5:290 (Employment Termination and Suspensions), 5:310 (Compensatory Time-Off)

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### STUDENTS

#### **7:40 Non-Public School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students**

##### Definitions [PRESSPlus1](#)

Non-public school student: a student who attends any school, including a parochial school or where instruction is provided in the student's home by the student's parent, which is not funded by public monies provided by the state in which the school is operated, by property taxes collected from the District in which the school is located, or by the United States government.

Full-time student: a student who attends kindergarten for at least 150 minutes daily or who attends any grade from first through twelfth for at least 300 minutes daily.

Part-time student: a student who attends school less than full-time but attends a District school for at least four instructional periods each day, excluding lunch, and who takes two additional classes in a program approved by the District.

Co-curricular activity: an activity associated with the curriculum in a regular classroom and is generally required for class credit.

Extracurricular activity: an activity that is not part of the curriculum, is not graded, does not offer credit, and does not take place during classroom time; it includes competitive interscholastic activities and clubs.

##### Proficiency:

- a. *For the purpose of grade placement*: acquisition of particular skills and/or knowledge as demonstrated by achievement test scores, criteria referenced test scores, end-of-year test scores, records from previous school enrollment, age, or any other reasonable criteria established by the Principal.
- b. *For the purpose of course crediting*: acquisition of particular skills and/or knowledge as demonstrated by such measures as scores on the final examinations for the District's courses, portfolio assessment, learning activities, content of and grades from the previous school, or any other reasonable criteria established by a District school principal.
- c. *Recognized school*: a school which has an Illinois State Board of Education Certificate of Non-Public School Recognition or, for a school located outside of Illinois, a comparable certificate from the governing education agency for that state.
- d. *Non-recognized school*: a school which does not have an Illinois State Board of Education Certificate of Non-Public School Recognition or, for a school located outside of Illinois, a comparable certificate from the governing education agency for that state.

##### Part-Time Attendance

The District accepts non-public school students, including parochial and home-schooled students, who live within the District for part-time attendance in the District's regular education program on a space-available basis. Requests for part-time attendance must be submitted to the Building Principal. All requests for part-time attendance must be submitted by August 1 prior to the school year for which the

student requests attendance.

### Enrollment for Part-Time Students

Students accepted for part-time attendance must comply with all discipline and attendance requirements established by the District. The parent or guardian of a student accepted for part-time attendance is responsible for all fees for the class or classes in which the student is enrolled and for the pro-rata portion of general fees charged to full time students.

Transportation, which is on the same basis as the District provides for full-time students, is provided to non-public students or part-time students on regular bus routes to or from a point on the route nearest or most easily accessible to the non-public school or student's home. Transportation other than on such routes shall be the responsibility of the parent or guardian.

### Students with Disabilities

The District accepts for part-time attendance those children for whom it has been determined that special education services are needed, are enrolled in nonpublic schools, and otherwise qualify for enrollment in the District. Requests for part-time attendance must be submitted by the student's parent or guardian unless the student is emancipated. Special education services, including identification, evaluation, and placement procedures, shall be provided in accordance with state and federal laws, statutes, rules and regulations. Transportation for such students shall be provided on the same basis as for part-time regular education students unless other transportation is required in the child's individualized educational program (IEP) on the basis of the child's disabling condition or is required by the special education program location.

### Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities

A non-public school student may attend any co-curricular activity that is associated with a District class in which he or she is enrolled. A part-time student may attend and/or participate in an extracurricular or co-curricular activity that is a part of a district class in which he or she is enrolled. A part-time student may participate in any Illinois High School Association (IHSA) extracurricular activity or non-IHSA extracurricular or co-curricular activity, not a part of a District class in which he or she is enrolled, if he or she meets the District requirements, minimum class attendance requirements, student Code of Conduct and any other specified requirements for participation. A part-time student who participates in an extracurricular or co-curricular activity is subject to all policies, regulations, and rules that apply to full-time students participating in the activity.

### Grade Placement and Course Crediting When Enrolling Full-Time in the District

Grade placement and course credits will be accepted for a student enrolling in the District full-time following full-time attendance at a recognized school. The District's official school transcript for the student shall indicate the name of each course for which credit was accepted, the name of school at which the course was completed, and the grade assigned by the school from which the student transferred. The student's grade point average (GPA) shall reflect the grade assigned by a recognized school and shall be weighted so long as both the District and the school from which the student transferred treat the course taken as a weighted course.

Grade placement and acceptance of course credits for a student enrolling in the district full-time following full-time attendance in a non-recognized school shall be subject to demonstration of proficiency for the placement and/or course credits requested, with the final determination of placement and/or credits subject to the sole discretion of the District. The District's official school transcript for the student shall indicate the name of each course for which credit was accepted, the name of school at which the course was completed, and the grade assigned by the school from which the student transferred. The student's GPA shall not reflect the grade assigned by a non-recognized school.

### Course Credits When Enrolled in a Recognized School

If a student takes a course at a non-recognized school while also enrolled in a recognized school that is not in the District, no credit shall be accepted by the District.

Credit shall be accepted for a course taken at a non-recognized school while also enrolled in a District school if the student received approval from his or her Principal prior to beginning such course and the student demonstrated proficiency subsequent to completion of the course. The Principal shall grant approval for the course to be taken if the student provides a statement of course activities, content, class time, learning activities, and expected outcomes which are comparable to the District course for which credit is accepted. The District's official school transcript for the student shall indicate the name of the course for which credit was accepted, the name of school at which the course was completed, and the grade assigned by the school from which the student transferred. The student's GPA shall not reflect the grade assigned.

### Attendance Requirement for Diploma

In order to qualify for a district high school diploma, a student must be enrolled as a part-time student in the district high school during the semester immediately preceding the granting of the diploma and must have been enrolled in the high school part-time during at least two (2) of the four (4) semesters immediately preceding the granting of the diploma.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-20.24](#) and [5/14-6.01](#).

CROSS REF.: 4:110 (Transportation), 6:170 (Title I Programs), 6:190 (Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities), 6:320 (Credit for Proficiency), 7:30 (Student Assignment), 7:300 (Extracurricular Athletics)

Adopted: September 28, 2020

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### STUDENTS

#### **7:90 Release During School Hours**

For safety and security reasons, a prior written or oral consent of a student's custodial parent/guardian is required before a student is released during school hours: (1) at any time before the regular dismissal time or at any time before school is otherwise officially closed, and/or (2) to any person other than a custodial parent/guardian. [PRESSPlus1](#)

#### Early Dismissal Announcement

The Superintendent or designee shall make reasonable efforts to issue an announcement whenever it is necessary to close school early due to inclement weather or other reason.

CROSS REF.: 4:170 (Safety)

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### **7:130 Student Rights and Responsibilities**

All students are entitled to enjoy the rights protected by the [U.S.](#) and [Illinois Constitutions](#) and laws for persons of their age and maturity in a school setting. Students should exercise these rights reasonably and avoid violating the rights of others. Students who violate the rights of others or violate District policies or rules will be subject to disciplinary measures. [PRESSPlus1](#)

Students may, during the school day, during noninstructional time, voluntarily engage in individually or collectively initiated, non-disruptive prayer or religious-based meetings that, consistent with the Free Exercise and Establishment Clauses of the U.S. and Illinois Constitutions, are not sponsored, promoted, or endorsed in any manner by the school or any school employee. *Noninstructional time* means time set aside by a school before actual classroom instruction begins or after actual classroom instruction ends.

LEGAL REF.:

[20 U.S.C. §7904.](#)

[105 ILCS 20/5.](#)

[Tinker v. Des Moines Independent School District](#), 89 S.Ct. 733 (1969).

CROSS REF.: 7:140 (Search and Seizure), 7:150 (Agency and Police Interviews), 7:160 (Student Appearance), 7:190 (Student Behavior), 7:330 (Student Use of Buildings - Equal Access)

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#### **7:325 Student Fundraising Activities**

The School Board recognizes a desire and a need by some student organizations for fundraising. The Board also recognizes a need for some constraint to prevent fundraising activities from becoming too numerous and overly demanding on employees, students, and the general public. [PRESSPlus1](#)

No individual or organization is allowed to ask students to participate in fundraising activities while the students are on school grounds during school hours or during any school activity. Exceptions are:

1. School-sponsored student organizations; and
2. Parent organizations and booster clubs that are recognized pursuant to policy 8:90, *Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs*.

The Superintendent or designee shall manage student fundraising activities in alignment with the following directives:

1. Fundraising efforts shall not conflict with instructional activities or programs.
2. For any school that participates in the School Breakfast Program or the National School Lunch Program, fundraising activities involving the sale of food and beverage items to students during the school day while on the school campus must comply with the Ill. State Board of Education rules concerning the sale of competitive food and beverage items.
3. Participation in fundraising efforts must be voluntary.
4. Student safety must be paramount, and door-to-door solicitations are prohibited.
5. For school-sponsored student organizations, a school staff member must supervise the fundraising activities and the student activity funds treasurer must safeguard the financial accounts.
6. The fundraising efforts must be to support the organization's purposes and/or activities, the general welfare, a charitable cause, or the educational experiences of students generally.
7. The funds shall be used to the maximum extent possible for the designated purpose.
8. Any fundraising efforts that solicit donor messages for incorporation into school property, e.g., tiles or bricks, or placement upon school property, e.g., posters or placards, must:
  - a. Develop viewpoint neutral guidelines for the creation of messages;
  - b. Inform potential donors that all messages are subject to review and approval, and that messages that do not meet the established guidelines must be resubmitted or the donation will be returned; and
  - c. Place a disclaimer on all fundraising information and near the completed donor messages that all messages are "solely the expression of the individual donors and not an endorsement by the District of any message's content."
9. Annually, these directives are to be disseminated to all appropriate parties.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-20.19](#)(3).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 305](#), School Food Service.

CROSS REF.: 4:90 (Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds), 4:120 (Food Services), 8:80 (Gifts to the District), 8:90 (Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs)

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### COMMUNITY RELATIONS

#### **8:110 Public Suggestions and Concerns**

An individual may make a suggestion or express a concern by contacting any District or School office. Community members who e-mail the District or any District employee or board member are expected to abide by the standards in Board policy 6:235, *Access to Electronic Networks*, and should, to the extent possible, limit their communications to relevant individuals. All suggestions and/or concerns will be referred to the appropriate level staff member or District administrator who is most able to respond in a timely manner. Each concern or suggestion shall be considered on its merit. [PRESSPlus1](#)

An individual who is not satisfied may file a grievance under Board policy 2:260, *Uniform Grievance Procedure*. The Board encourages, but does not require, individuals to follow the channels of authority prior to filing a grievance. Neither this policy nor the *Uniform Grievance Procedure* create an independent right to a hearing before the Board.

LEGAL REF.:

[115 ILCS 5/14](#)(c-5), Ill. Educational Labor Relations Act.

CROSS REF.: 2:140 (Communications To and From the Board), 2:230 (Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board), 2:260 (Uniform Grievance Procedure), 3:30 (Chain of Command), 6:235 (Access to Electronic Networks), 6:260 (Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials and Programs), 8:10 (Connection with the Community)

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