

**School Board Meeting:**  
**Subject:**  
**Presenter:**

**September 28, 2009**  
**Teaching & Learning**  
**Pam Miller**

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**SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:**

Board action is not required for the first reading of policies.

**DESCRIPTION:**

The following policies are recommended for annual required review.

**First Reading for Annual Required Review**

The following policies are being presented to the School Board for review:

- Policy 506 – Student Discipline  
 MSBA Recommended Policy  
Brief Description: The purpose of this policy is to ensure that students are aware of and comply with the school district's expectations for student conduct. Such compliance will enhance the school district's ability to maintain discipline and ensure that there is no interference with the educational process. The school district will take appropriate disciplinary action when students fail to adhere to the Code of Student Conduct established by this policy.
  
- Policy 514 – Bullying Prohibition  
 MSBA Recommended Policy  
Brief Description: The purpose of this policy is to provide a safe and civil environment needed for students to learn and attain high academic standards and to promote healthy human relationships. Bullying, like other violent or disruptive behavior, is conduct that interferes with students' ability to learn and teachers' ability to educate students in a safe environment. The school district cannot monitor the activities of students at all times and eliminate all incidents of bullying between students, particularly when students are not under the direct supervision of school personnel. However, to the extent such conduct affects the educational environment of the school district and the rights and welfare of its students and is within the control of the school district in its normal operations, it is the school district's intent to prevent bullying and to take action to investigate, respond, remediate, and discipline those acts of bullying which have not been successfully prevented. The purpose of this policy is to assist the school district in its goal of preventing and responding to acts of bullying, intimidation, violence, and other similar disruptive behavior.

- Policy 522 – Sex Non-Discrimination
  - MSBA Recommended Policy
  - Brief Description: Students are protected from discrimination on the basis of sex pursuant to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and the Minnesota Human Rights Act. The purpose of this policy is to provide equal educational opportunity for all students and to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex.
- Policy 524 – Internet Acceptable Use
  - MSBA Recommended Policy
  - Brief Description: The purpose of this policy is to set forth policies and guidelines for access to the school district computer system and acceptable use of the Internet, including electronic communications.