School Board

<u>Administrative Procedure - Protocols for Record Preservation and Development of Retention Schedules</u>

Legal Citations

Each legal requirement in this procedure is followed by a citation to the controlling rule and/or statute. Citations in parenthesis indicate the location of a named law. For additional clarification regarding a requirement, the cited law should be reviewed.

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All Staff Members and School Board Members	Maintain all records, as defined and required in the Ill. Local Records Act (LRA). No public record shall be destroyed except as allowed by the LRA.
	"Public record means any book, paper, map, photograph, born-digital electronic material, digitized electronic material, electronic material with a combination of digitized and born-digital material, or other official documentary material, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made, produced, executed or received by any agency or officer pursuant to law or in connection with the transaction of public business and preserved or appropriate for preservation by such agency or officer, or any successor thereof, as evidence of the organization, function, policies, decisions, procedures, or other activities thereof, or because of the informational data contained therein." 50 ILCS 205/3.
	Do not destroy any District record, no matter its form, if it is subject to a litigation hold. F.R.C.P. 37(e).
	In federal lawsuits there is an automatic discovery of virtually all types of electronically created or stored data that might be relevant. Attorneys will generally notify their clients at the beginning of a legal proceeding to not destroy any electronic records that might be relevant. The receipt of a <i>litigation hold</i> or preservation letter from the Board's attorney requires all potentially relevant electronic information to be identified, located, and preserved. This includes all email, e-documents, the tapes and servers of discarded systems, and backup data stored elsewhere.
	Whenever disposing of materials containing <i>personal information</i> , render the <i>personal information</i> unreadable, unusable, and undecipherable. 815 ILCS 530/40; 44 Ill.Admin.Code §4000.40(b).
	The Personal Information Protection Act (815 ILCS 530/) contains mandates for disposing of materials containing personal information

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	(personal information is defined in 815 ILCS 530/5 as either of the following: (1) an individual's first name or first initial and last name combined with any of the following data elements, when either the name or data elements are not encrypted/redacted or are encrypted/redacted but the keys to unencrypt/unredact or otherwise read the name or data elements have been acquired without authorization through a security breach: social security number, driver's license number or State identification card number, financial account information, medical information, health insurance information, or unique biometric data; or (2) user name or email address, combined with a password or security question and answer that would permit access to an online account, when any of these data elements are not encrypted/redacted or are encrypted/redacted but the keys to unencrypt/unredact or otherwise read the data elements have been acquired without authorization through a security breach). The III. Attorney General is authorized to impose a
	Whenever disposing of materials containing social security numbers that do not otherwise qualify as personal information under 815 ILCS 530/40, follow administrative procedure 4:15-AP1, Protecting the Privacy of Social Security Numbers. The Superintendent, Human Resources Administrator, and their respective designees must follow administrative procedure 5:30-AP4, Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Record Information Security, when disposing of criminal history record information (CHRI).
Superintendent	 Assign the following activities to the Records Custodian and Head of Information Technology (IT): 1. Develop and maintain a protocol for preserving and categorizing District records; 2. Develop and maintain a record retention and destruction schedule; and
Records Custodian and	3. Develop protocols to implement a litigation hold.1. Develop and maintain a protocol for preserving and categorizing
Head of IT	District records. Develop and maintain a list of all District records organized in categories and sub-categories, e.g., records relating to business, students, personnel, board meetings, etc. Align this list with the list of District records required by the Freedom of Information Act. 5 ILCS 140/5. Paper records may be easier to locate than electronic records. Electronic records will potentially exist in all of the available clouds, servers, tapes, hard drives, computers, and similar types of electronic

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	devices (e.g., laptops, tablets, smart phones, voicemail, etc.).
	Prepare a description of how District records stored by means of electronic data processing may be obtained in a form understandable to persons lacking computer knowledge. 5 ILCS 140/5; 44 Ill.Admin.Code §4000.70, <i>Digital Reproduction</i> ; 44 Ill.Admin.Code §4000.80, <i>Management of Electronic Records</i> .
	Such a description may include contact information for a person who can aid in obtaining records stored electronically.
	Provide for keeping only records and destroying non-records. Avoid filing non-record material with records. Determine what is a non-record, e.g., identical copies of documents maintained in the same file; extra copies of printed or processed materials (official copies of which are retained by the office); blank forms; and personal communications.
	The goal is to control excessive accumulation of material. Non-record material may be destroyed at any time. 50 ILCS 205/9.
	Absent a litigation hold, email must be retained only when it contains: (1) evidence of the District's organization, function, policies, procedures, or activities, or (2) informational data appropriate for preservation. 50 ILCS 205/3. Email that is conversational, personal, or contains brainstorming may generally be deleted.
	A consistent email retention policy process for use across the District ensures that the necessary emails are being retained and emails that are not required to be preserved are purged on a regular basis.
	Determine whether each sub-category of documents should be reproduced by photography (44 Ill.Admin.Code §4000.60), microphotographic and electronic microimaging processes (44 Ill.Admin.Code §4000.50), or digitized electronic format (44 Ill.Admin.Code §4000.70).
	Any public record may be reproduced in a microfilm or digitized electronic format and the analog/paper version destroyed, provided: (a) the records are reproduced on "a durable medium that accurately and legibly reproduces the original record in all details," and "that does not permit additions, deletions, or changes to the original document images," and "if electronic, that are retained in a trustworthy manner so that the records…are accessible and usable for subsequent reference at all times when the information must be retained," (b) the reproduction is retained for the prescribed retention period, and (c) the Local Records Commission is notified when the original record is disposed of and also when the reproduced record is disposed of. 50 ILCS 205/7.

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	Use the III. Secretary of State publication Guidelines for Using Electronic Records (www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/records managemen t/electrecs.html) and 44 III.Admin.Code §§4000.APPENDIX A Sustainable File Formats for Electronic Records - A Guide for Government Agencies (www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/044/04404000ZZ9996aR.html), 4000.APPENDIX B Reliable Storage Media for Electronic Records - A Guide for Government Agencies (www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/044/04404000ZZ9996BR.html).
	Identify and index the location of each category and sub-category of District records. Organize electronic record and data storage.
	The goal is to ensure that all documents, including electronically created ones, are retained for the required timeframes and are easy to retrieve and produce if necessary.
	2. Develop and maintain a record retention and destruction schedule for submission to the Superintendent and eventually to the Local Records Commission.
	Prepare a list of public records that: (1) are not needed for current business, and (2) do not have sufficient administrative, legal, or fiscal value to warrant their further preservation. Stated differently, identify records that have no administrative, legal, or fiscal value, as this is the criteria the Commission uses to determine whether or not to authorize the records' destruction.
	Records that have no administrative, legal, or fiscal value may be destroyed according to provisions in the LRA. 50 ILCS 205/10.
	Prepare a schedule for record destruction by identifying the length of time a record category or series warrants retention after it has been received or produced by the District.
	The ultimate goal is to obtain permission to destroy unnecessary public records. The Local Records Commission must approve the destruction of any public record. 50 ILCS 205/7; 44 Ill.Admin.Code Part 4000 (Local Records Commission for agencies comprising counties of less than 3,000,000 inhabitants); 44 Ill.Admin.Code Part 4500 (Local Records Commission of Cook County). See the Archives Department on the Secretary of State's website: www.cyberdriveillin_ois.com/departments/archives/databases/home.html 44 Ill.Admin.Code Part 4000.30 details the procedures for compiling

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	and submitting lists and schedules of records for disposal.
	The School Code and other statutes (e.g., statutes of limitations) contain mandatory retention timelines. The Board *Attorney should be consulted.
	The e-discovery rules provide a safe harbor for parties during a lawsuit that cannot provide information because it was destroyed as a result of routine practices. F.R.C.P. 37(e).
	3. Develop protocols to implement a litigation hold.
	Understand what a <i>litigation hold</i> is.
	A litigation hold refers to the notification made by the Board's aAttorney telling the District to preserve all information that may be relevant to current or anticipated litigation. While it may occur anytime in the legal process, it will usually occur during discovery, the pretrial phase of a lawsuit designed to compel the exchange of information between parties. A litigation hold triggers the need to immediately suspend destruction of electronic and other records relevant to the current or potential claim. F.R.C.P. 37(e).
	Specify how to implement a litigation hold, i.e.:
	 Who can trigger a litigation hold? How is a litigation hold communicated? Who should gather the records? What records are subject to a litigation hold and who determines
	this?In what format should records be gathered?Where should records be gathered?
	Identify how to implement a litigation hold for all IT systems, including backup tapes, to ensure they are not deleted or overwritten as part of the normal tape rotation process.
,	Prepare a map of potentially relevant data and otherwise assist the Board <u>aA</u> ttorney in locating all potentially relevant information.
Superintendent	Submit new or revised record retention and destruction lists and schedules to the Local Records Commission for approval.
	Disseminate the record retention schedule, along with instructions, to all affected staff members and Board members.
	Immediately inform the Records Custodian and Head of IT whenever a record must be preserved because: (1) it may be relevant to present or future litigation, or (2) the Board Attorney has notified the District to preserve a record, including electronic information (<i>litigation hold</i>).

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	Authorize and/or order the destruction of District records after ensuring that the following steps have been performed:
	1. The Local Records Commission approved a schedule for continuing authority to destroy District records after the expiration of the applicable period.
	2. Any record is retained and removed from the disposal list if it is or may be evidence in litigation, or is otherwise subject to a <i>litigation hold</i> .
	3. Thirty days prior to disposal or destruction of any records, regardless of physical format or characteristics, submit a Local Records Disposal Certificate to the Commission and dispose only after a copy of that certificate has been reviewed and approved by the Chairman and returned to the District. The original copy of that Local Records Disposal Certificate is kept in the files of the Commission, and the duplicate copy approved and returned by the Chairman must be retained by the District. 44 Ill.Admin.Code §§4000.40(c), 4500.40(c).
	4. In the case of records with scheduled retention of less than one year, a single Local Records Disposal Certificate for more than one disposal event within a given year may be used. Local Records Disposal Certificates submitted with this intent must include a schedule of proposed records disposal in addition to the normally required information. The District must wait to dispose of records until receipt of approval from the Commission, as required in number 3, above. 44 Ill.Admin.Code §§4000.40(d), 4500.40(d).
	5. For records that have been damaged by water, fire, smoke, insects or vermin, mold or some other natural disaster that poses a health or safety risk to employees, the District may apply to the Commission for permission to dispose of those records ahead of their scheduled disposal date. The request must include a Local Records Disposal Certificate accompanied by the District's explanation of why the records need early disposal. The Commission may grant the request only after physically reviewing the damaged records. 44 Ill.Admin.Code §§4000.40(e), 4500.40(e).

Links to Web-based Record Management Resources:

Cook County Local Records Commission Meetings

Cook County Local Records Commission Rules (44 Ill.Admin.Code Part 4500)

Downstate Local Records Commission Meetings

Rules of the Downstate Local Records Commission (44 III.Admin.Code Part 4000)

Ill. School Student Records Act (105 ILCS 10/, amended by P.A. 101-161, eff. 1-1-20)

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Local Records Act (50 ILCS 205/)

Local Records Disposal Certificate

LEGAL REF.: Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rules 16, 26 and 37.

5 ILCS 140/, Freedom of Information Act.

50 ILCS 205/, Local Records Act.

105 ILCS 10/, Ill. School Student Records Act. 815 ILCS 530/, Personal Information Protection Act. 820 ILCS 40/, Ill. Personnel Record Review Act.

44 Ill.Admin.Code Part 4000, Local Records Commission.

44 Ill.Admin.Code Part 4500, Cook County Local Records Commission.



Operational Services

Administrative Procedure - Protecting the Privacy of Social Security Numbers

Much of the District's collection, storage, use, and disclosure of social security numbers apply to employee records only. But limited exceptions may exist where a school district may need to ask students or their parents/guardians to provide social security numbers. When student social security numbers are involved, consult the Board Auttorney about the intersection of the Identity Protection Act (5 ILCS 179/), the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. §1232g), and the Ill. School Student Records Act (105 ILCS 10/).

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Superintendent and business manager, and their designees	 Identify the approved purposes for collecting SSNs, including: Employment matters, e.g., income reporting to IRS and the IL Dept. of Revenue, tax withholding, FICA, and Medicare. Verifying enrollment in various benefit programs, e.g., medical benefits, health insurance claims, and veterans' programs. Filing insurance claims. Internal verification or administrative purposes. Other uses authorized and/or required by State law including, without limitation, in the following circumstances (5 ILCS 179/10(c)):

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	Direct that only employees who are required to use or handle information or documents that contain SSNs have access to such information or documents. 5 ILCS 179/35(a)(3).
	Require that SSNs requested from an individual be provided in a manner that makes the SSN easily redacted if the record is otherwise required to be released as part of a public records request. 5 ILCS 179/35(a)(4).
	Require that, when collecting SSNs or upon request, a statement of the purpose(s) for which the District is collecting and using the SSNs be provided. 5 ILCS 179/35(a)(5). See <u>e</u> Exhibit 4:15-E2, <i>Statement of Purpose for Collecting Social Security Numbers</i> .
	Require that, when employees who are required to use or handle information or documents that contain SSNs learn of a breach, they:
	 Notify District administrators immediately, and Ensure that notifications to the proper individuals occur.
	Enforce the requirements in Board policy 4:15, <i>Identity Protection</i> , and this procedure.
Records Custodian and	Develop guidelines for handling social security numbers in electronic systems. These guidelines should address:
Head of Information Technology (IT)	 The display of SSNs on computer terminals, screens, and reports; The security protocol for storing SSNs on a device or system protected by a password or other security system and for accessing SSNs that are included in part of an electronic database; The security protocol for deleting SSNs that are stored in electronic documents or databases; and Alternate mechanisms for integrating data other than the use of SSNs.
Staff Development	Design and execute a training program on protecting the confidentiality of SSNs for employees who have access to SSNs in the course of performing their
Head	duties. The training should include instructions on the proper handling of information that contains SSNs from the time of collection through the destruction of the information. 5 ILCS 179/35(a)(2).
Assistant Superintendents,	Require each staff member whose position allows or requires access to SSNs to attend training on protecting the confidentiality of SSNs.
Directors, Building Principals, and/or Department Heads	Instruct staff members whose positions allow or require access to SSNs to:
	 Treat SSNs as confidential information. Never publically post or display SSNs or require any individual to verbally disclose his or her SSN.
	3. Dispose of documents containing SSNs in a secure fashion, such as, by shredding paper documents and by deleting electronic documents as instructed by the IT Department.
	4. Use SSNs as needed during the execution of their job duties and in accordance with the training and instructions that they received.

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	Instruct staff members whose positions do not require access to SSNs to notify a supervisor and/or the IT Department whenever SSNs are found in a document or other material, whether in paper or electronic form.
Freedom of Information Officer	Redact every SSN before allowing public inspection or copying of records responsive to a FOIA request. 5 ILCS 179/15.
Employees	Do not collect, use, or disclose another individual's SSN unless directed to do so by an administrator.
	If the employee is in a position that requires access to SSNs: Treat SSNs as confidential information and follow the instructions learned during training.
	If the employee is <u>not</u> in a position that requires access to SSNs: Notify his or her supervisor and/or the IT Department whenever the employee comes across a document or other material, whether in paper or electronic form, that contain SSNs.



Operations

<u>Administrative Procedure – Treatment of Personally Identifiable Information Under Grant Awards</u>

This procedure implements identification, handling, storage, access, disposal, and the overall confidentiality of personally identifiable information under grant awards in the subhead **Treatment of Personally Identifiable Information Under Grant Awards** in Board policy 4:15, *Identity Protection*. Use it when the District is a recipient of a federal grant award or State grant award governed by the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) (30 ILCS 708/) and, as a result, must handle personally identifiable information (defined below) in its administration of the award.

Definitions

Personally identifiable information (PII) means information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, either alone or when combined with other personal or identifying information that is linked or linkable to a specific individual. Some information that is considered to be PII is available in public sources such as telephone books and public Web sites. This type of information is considered to be Public PII and includes, for example, first and last name, address, work telephone number, email address, home telephone number, and general educational credentials. The definition of PII is not anchored to any single category of information or technology. Rather, it requires a case-by-case assessment of the specific risk that an individual can be identified. Non-PII can become PII (or protected personally identifiable information) whenever additional information is made publicly available, in any medium and from any source, that, when combined with other available information, could be used to identify an individual. 2 C.F.R. §200.179.

Protected personally identifiable information (Protected PII) is a subset of PII; it means an individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more types of information, including, but not limited to, social security number, passport number, credit card numbers, clearances, bank numbers, biometrics, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, criminal records, medical records, financial records, or educational transcripts. Protected PII does not include personally identifiable information that is required by law to be disclosed. 2 C.F.R. §200.182.

Safeguarding Requirement

GATA and 2 C.F.R. §200.303(e) require grant recipients to take reasonable measures to safeguard (1) protected personally identifiable information, (2) other information that the awarding or pass-through agency designates as sensitive, such as personally identifiable information, and (3) information that the District considers to be sensitive consistent with applicable laws regarding privacy and confidentiality (collectively referred to in this Procedure as sensitive information).

The Superintendent or designee will ensure that the District:

- 1. Implements reasonable security measures, such as physical and technological safeguards, for the protection of sensitive information that meets or exceeds industry standards designed to protect such information from unauthorized access, destruction, use, modification, or disclosure. ¹
- 2. Complies with all applicable laws, such as the Identity Protection Act (5 ILCS 179/) (IPA), Personal Information Protection Act (815 ILCS 530/10) (PIPA) and Student Online Personal Protection Act (105 ILCS 85/27, added by P.A. 101–516, eff. 7–1–21) (SOPPA) in the event of a breach of sensitive information.
- 3. Notifies, if appropriate, members of the school community impacted by a breach when notification is not specifically required by law.
- 4. Educates staff members involved in the administration of grants that in addition to federal regulation 2 C.F.R. §200.303(e) and the terms of a specific award, multiple laws may apply to personally identifiable information, depending upon the type of information/record including: IPA (5 ILCS 179/), PIPA (815 ILCS 530/), Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, (20 U.S.C. 1232g), Ill. School Student Records Act (105 ILCS 10/), SOPPA (105 ILCS 85/, amended by P.A. 101-516, eff. 7-1-21), Personnel Record Review Act (820 ILCS 40/), and Local Records Act (50 ILCS 205/3).
- 5. Consults with the Board Attorney as needed to ensure compliance.

Relevant Board Policies—and, Administrative Procedures, and Exhibit for Handling of Sensitive Information

The following Board policies and <u>administrative</u> procedures also address and govern the District's identification, handling, storage, access, disposal, and overall confidentiality of certain types of sensitive information:

- 1. 2:220, School Board Meeting Procedure, and Exhibit, 2:220-E8, School Board Records Maintenance Requirements and FAQs, address storage, access, and destruction of meeting minutes, including closed meeting minutes and verbatim recordings.
- 2. 2:250, Access to District Public Records, addresses providing access to public records in response to Freedom of Information Act requests and the preservation and destruction of public records under the Local Records Act. 2:250-AP2, Protocols for Record Preservation and Development of Retention Schedules, also addresses the preservation and destruction of public records under the Local Records Act.
- 3. 4:15, *Identity Protection*, specifically requires the District to safeguard sensitive information under grant awards.
- 4. 4:80-AP1, <u>Checklist for Internal Controls Internal Controls Checklist</u>, requires the District to protect assets, including technology and electronic systems from loss or misuse.
- 5:120-AP2, Employee Conduct Standards, requires all District staff members to respect the confidentiality of student and personal records and other information covered by confidentiality agreements.
- 6. 5:130, *Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information*, requires all District employees to maintain the integrity and security of all internal information and the privacy of confidential records.
- 7. 5:150, *Personnel Records*, and 5:150-AP, *Personnel Records*, address the identification, storage, and access to personnel records.

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¹ This paragraph is an adaptation of the standard for the protection of *covered information* under the Student Online Personal Protection Act, 105 ILCS 85/, amended by P.A. 101-516, eff. 7-1-21. Districts should customize this procedure to align with local practices and conditions.

- 8. 6:235, *Access to Electronic Networks*, requires all users of the District's electronic networks to maintain the confidentiality of student information.
- 9. 6:235-AP1, *Acceptable Use of the District's Electronic Networks*, requires all users of the District's electronic networks to take steps to safeguard their integrity and security.
- 10. 7:340, Student Records, along with 7:340-AP1, School Student Records, and 7:340-AP2, Storage and Destruction of School Student Records, address the District's legal obligations regarding the identification, confidentiality, safeguarding, access, and disposal of school student records.
- 10.11. 7:345, *Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security*, addresses the District's legal obligations regarding the handling and safeguarding of *covered information* that is shared with *operators*.

Disposal of Sensitive Information

When disposal of sensitive information is authorized by law and/or Board policy, the Superintendent or other administrator overseeing the administration of the grant award will ensure the District follows the disposal standard under the Personal Information Protection Act PIPA (815 ILCS 530/40) and renders the information unreadable, unusable, and undecipherable.

Training for Employees and Contractors

District employees and contractors responsible for the administration of a federal or State award for the District will receive training on the safeguarding of sensitive information.

The Superintendent or designee will ensure:

- 1. Employees receive training upon their assignment to perform work under the award and then on a bi-annual basis thereafter, until the award is concluded or an employee's involvement in the award is complete, whichever is earlier. The training shall include education on this procedure and the District's policies and procedures listed above that govern the District's handling of sensitive information for various types of information/records.
- 2. Documentation of employee training on the handing of personally identifiable information is maintained, including the dates(s) of the training and attendance/completion of the training.
- 3. District contractors performing work under the grant award regularly receive training from the District or other comparable training on the management of sensitive information.

Resources

Ill. State Board of Education -

Checklist for Protection of Personally Identifiable Information, available at www.isbe.net/Pages/Audit and-Monitoring Review Requirements and Tools.aspx.

U.S. Dept. of Education -

Privacy Technical Assistance Center's Protecting Student Privacy Service, at www.studentprivacy.ed.gov.

Ill. Attorney General –

www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumer-protection/identity-theftwww.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumers/hotline.html#dbreport.

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Administrative Procedure - Preparing and Updating Disclosures

This sample administrative procedure has been adapted and printed with the express permission of Chapman and Cutler LLP. Chapman and Cutler LLP is pleased to provide this sample procedure as an example of factors issuers should consider under current law in preparing policies and procedures for post-issuance compliance with federal securities laws and regulations. It is intended to provide general guidance with the understanding that the provision of the sample procedure does not constitute the rendering of legal advice by Chapman and Cutler LLP or the establishment of an attorney-client relationship with any user of the sample procedure. Reference to this sample procedure should not be considered a substitute for consultation with your legal advisors. Readers should understand that the application of relevant statutory and regulatory provisions can vary based on specific facts and that changes in law or facts may impact the applicability of the sample procedure. Chapman and Cutler LLP assumes no obligation to update the sample procedure to reflect changes in law or practice.

Pursuant to the District's responsibilities under the securities laws, including its continuing disclosure undertakings (*Undertakings*) under Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Securities and Exchange Commission's statements in enforcement actions, it is necessary and in the District's best interest that the District comply in all material respects with federal securities laws regarding its (i) preliminary and final official statements or offering circulars and any supplements or amendments thereto (collectively, the *Official Statements*), disseminated by the District in connection with any bonds, notes, certificates or other obligations, (ii) Financial Information or Annual Financial Information, as required by and defined in the Undertakings (the *Annual Financial Information*) to be filed with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's (MSRB) Electronic Municipal Market Access (*EMMA*) system, and (iii) notices of Material Events or Reportable Events, each as defined in the Undertakings, and any other required or voluntary disclosures to EMMA (each, an *EMMA Notice*). These procedures are designed to enable the District to create accurate disclosures with respect to its (i) Official Statements, (ii) Annual Financial Information, and (iii) EMMA Notices, which are collectively referred to herein as *Disclosures*.

In response to these interests, the District hereby adopts the following procedures:

- Disclosure Officer. Consistent with Board ppolicy 4:40, Incurring Debt, the Superintendent (Disclosure Officer) is hereby designated as the officer responsible for the procedures related to Disclosures as hereinafter set forth (collectively, Disclosure Procedures).
- Disclosure Procedures: Official Statements. Whenever an Official Statement will be disseminated in connection with the issuance of obligations by the District, the Disclosure Officer will oversee the process of preparing the Official Statement pursuant to the following procedures:
 - 1. The District shall select (a) the working group for the transaction, which group may include outside professionals such as disclosure counsel, a municipal advisor, and an underwriter (the *Working Group*), and (b) the member of the Working Group responsible for preparing the first draft of the Official Statement.
 - 2. The Disclosure Officer shall review and make comments on the first draft of the Official Statement. Such review shall be done to determine that the Official Statement does not

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¹ Districts that employ business managers may want to substitute "Business Manager", "Chief School Business Official", or another locally equivalent title.

include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made in the Official Statement not misleading. Particular attention shall be paid to the accuracy of all descriptions, significant information, and financial data regarding the District. Examples include confirming that information relating to the District, including but not limited to demographic changes, the addition or loss of major employers, the addition or loss of major taxpayers or any other material information within the knowledge of the Disclosure Officer, is included and properly disclosed. The Disclosure Officer shall also be responsible for ensuring that the financial data presented with regard to the District is accurate and corresponds with the financial information in the District's possession, including but not limited to information regarding bonded indebtedness, notes, certificates, outstanding leases, tax rates or any other financial information of the District presented in the Official Statement.

- 3. After completion of the review set forth in 2, above, the Disclosure Officer shall (a) discuss the first draft of the Official Statement with the members of the Working Group and such staff and officials of the District as the Disclosure Officer deems necessary and appropriate, and (b) provide comments, as appropriate, to the members of the Working Group. The Disclosure Officer shall also consider comments from members of the Working Group and whether any additional changes to the Official Statement are necessary or desirable to make the document compliant with the requirements set forth in 2, above.
- 4. The Disclosure Officer shall continue to review subsequent drafts of the Official Statement in the manner set forth in 2 and 3, above.
- 5. If, in the Disclosure Officer's reasonable judgment, the Official Statement does not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made in the Official Statement not misleading, the Official Statement may, in the reasonable discretion of the Disclosure Officer, be released for dissemination to the public; *provided*, *however*, that the use of the Official Statement must be ratified, approved, and authorized by the Board.
- *Disclosure Procedures: Annual Financial Information*. The Disclosure Officer will oversee the process of preparing the Annual Financial Information pursuant to these procedures:
 - 1. By December 20th² of each year (the same being at least 30 days prior to the last date on which the Annual Financial Information is required to be disseminated pursuant to the related Undertaking) the Disclosure Officer shall begin to prepare (or hire an agent to prepare) the Annual Financial Information. The Disclosure Officer shall also review the audited or unaudited financial statements, as applicable, to be filed as part of the Annual Financial Information (*Financial Statements*). In addition to the required updating of the Annual Financial Information, the Disclosure Officer should consider whether additional information needs to be added to the Annual Financial Information to make the Annual Financial Information, including the Financial Statements, taken as a whole, correct and complete in all material respects. For example, if disclosure of events that occurred subsequent to the date of the Financial Statements would be necessary to clarify, enhance or correct information presented in the Financial Statements, in order to make the Annual Financial Information,

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² The deadline for the dissemination of Annual Financial Information and/or Audited Financial Statements should be set forth in each applicable Undertaking. These procedures assume the deadline set forth in each such Undertaking is not later than 210 days after the end of a district's fiscal year (ending June 30). If one of more of a district's Undertakings provide for a different deadline, it may be appropriate or necessary to change the date in Paragraph C.1 above.

- taken as a whole, correct and complete in all material respects, disclosure of such subsequent events should be made.
- 2. If, in the Disclosure Officer's reasonable judgment, the Annual Financial Information, including the Financial Statements, is correct and complete in all material respects, the Disclosure Officer shall file the Annual Financial Information with EMMA (or confirm that such filing is completed by any agent hired by the District for such purpose) within the timeframe allowed for such filing.
- Disclosure Procedures: Reportable Events. The Disclosure Officer will prepare (or hire an agent to prepare) Reportable Event Disclosure and file the same with EMMA (or confirm that such filing is completed by an agent hired by the District for such purpose) in a timely manner (not in excess of 10 business days after the occurrence of the Reportable Event). Incurrence of a Financial Obligation, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation, any of which affect security holders, if material, is a Reportable Event. Upon the incurrence of any Financial Obligation, as such term is defined in the Undertaking, the Disclosure Officer shall review such Financial Obligation and assess whether such Financial Obligation is material. If, in connection with such Financial Obligation, the District has agreed to any covenant, event of default, remedy, priority right or other similar term which affects security holders, the Disclosure Officer shall further review such term and assess whether the same is material. The Disclosure Officer shall prepare a summary of such review. If, in the Disclosure Officer's reasonable judgment, following consultation with financial or legal professionals as necessary, such Financial Obligation and/or term of such Financial Obligation is deemed material, the Disclosure Officer shall file a summary of such Financial Obligation (or the entire financing document, provided that confidential or sensitive information may be redacted to the extent such redaction does not prevent all material terms from being disclosed) with EMMA not in excess of ten business days after the incurrence of such Financial Obligation. (This paragraph (d) shall only apply if the District has entered into an Undertaking on or after February 27, 2019.)
- Disclosure Procedures: EMMA Notices. Whenever the District determines to file an EMMA Notice, or whenever the District decides to make a voluntary filing to EMMA, the Disclosure Officer will oversee the process of preparing the EMMA Notice pursuant to these procedures:
 - 1. The Disclosure Officer shall prepare (or hire an agent to prepare) the EMMA Notice. The EMMA Notice shall be prepared in the form required by the MSRB.
 - 2. In the case of a disclosure required by an Undertaking, the Disclosure Officer shall determine whether any changes to the EMMA Notice are necessary to make the document compliant with the Undertaking.
 - 3. If, in the Disclosure Officer's reasonable judgment, the EMMA Notice is correct and complete and, in the case of a disclosure required by an Undertaking, complies with the Undertaking, the Disclosure Officer shall file the EMMA Notice with EMMA (or confirm that such filing is completed by any agent hired by the District for such purpose) within the timeframe allowed for such filing.
- Additional Responsibilities of the Disclosure Officer. The Disclosure Officer, in addition to the specific responsibilities outlined above, shall have general oversight of the entire disclosure process, which shall include:
 - 1. Maintaining appropriate records of compliance with these Disclosure Procedures (including proofs of EMMA filings) and decisions made with respect to issues that have been raised;
 - 2. Evaluating the effectiveness of the procedures contained in these Disclosure Procedures; and

- 3. Informing the Board when substantive revisions or modifications are made to these Disclosure Procedures.
- General Principles.
 - 1. All participants in the disclosure process should be encouraged to raise potential disclosure items at all times in the process.
 - 2. The process of revising and updating the Disclosures should not be viewed as a mechanical insertion of current numbers. While it is not anticipated that there will be major changes in the form and content of the Disclosures at the time of each update, the Disclosure Officer should consider whether such changes are necessary or desirable to make sure the Disclosure does not make any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary or desirable, in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading at the time of each update.
 - 3. Whenever the District releases information, whether in written or spoken form, that may reasonably be expected to reach investors, it is said to be "speaking to the market." When speaking to the market, District officials must be sure that the released information does not make any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary or desirable, in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances in which they were made, not misleading.
 - 4. While care should be taken not to shortcut or eliminate any steps outlined in these Disclosure Procedures on an ad hoc basis, the review and maintenance of the Disclosures is a fluid process and recommendations for improvement of these Disclosure Procedures should be solicited and regularly considered.
 - 5. The Disclosure Officer is authorized to request and pay for attendance at relevant conferences or presentations or annual training sessions conducted by outside counsel, consultants or experts in order to ensure a sufficient level of knowledge for the effective administration of these Disclosure Procedures.

LEGAL REF.: 15 U.S.C. §77a et seq., Securities Act of 1933. 15 U.S.C. §78a et seq., Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

17 C.F.R. §240.15c2-12.

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Administrative Procedure - Resource Conservation 1

Definitions

De-inked stock — Paper that has been processed to remove inks, clays, coatings, binders, and other contaminants.

High grade printing and writing papers — Includes offset-printing paper, duplicator paper, writing paper (stationery), tablet paper, office paper, note pads, xerographic paper, envelopes, form bond including computer paper and carbonless forms, book papers, bond papers, ledger paper, book stock, and cotton fiber papers.

Paper and paper products — High-grade printing and writing papers, tissue products, newsprint, unbleached packaging, and recycled paperboard.

Postconsumer material — Only those products generated by a business or consumer, that have served their intended end uses, and that have been separated or diverted from solid waste; wastes generated during the production of an end product are excluded. Postconsumer material includes:

- Paper, paperboard, and fibrous waste from retail stores, office buildings, homes and so forth, after the waste has passed through its end usage as a consumer item, including used corrugated boxes, old newspapers, mixed-waste paper, tabulating cards, and used cordage; and
- All paper, paperboard, and fibrous wastes that are diverted or separated from the municipal waste stream.

Recovered paper material — Paper waste generated after the completion of the papermaking process, such as postconsumer material, envelope cuttings, bindery trimmings, printing waste, cutting and other converting waste, butt rolls, and mill wrappers, obsolete inventories, and rejected unused stock. "Recovered paper material," however, does not include fibrous waste generated during the manufacturing process such as fibers recovered from waste water or trimmings of paper machine rolls (mill broke), or fibrous by-products of harvesting, extraction or woodcutting processes, or forest residues such as bark. Recovered paper material includes:

- Postconsumer material;
- Dry paper and paperboard waste generated after completion of the papermaking process (that
 is, those manufacturing operations up to and including the cutting and trimming of the paper
 machine reel into smaller rolls or rough sheets), including envelope cuttings, bindery
 trimmings, and other paper and paperboard waste resulting from printing, cutting, forming and
 other converting operations, or from bag, box, and carton manufacturing, and butt rolls, mill
 wrappers, and rejected unused stock; and
- Finished paper and paperboard from obsolete inventories of paper and paperboard manufacturers, merchants, wholesalers, dealers, printers, converters or others.

Recycled paperboard — Includes paperboard products, folding cartons and pad backings.

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 $[{]f 1}$ With the exception of activities listed under the **Solid Waste Reduction** subhead, these procedures restate State law. 105 ILCS 5/10-20.19c.

Tissue products — Includes toilet tissue, paper towels, paper napkins, facial tissue, paper doilies, industrial wipers, paper bags, and brown papers. These products shall also be unscented and shall not be colored.

Unbleached packaging — Includes corrugated and fiber storage boxes.

Procurement Procedures and Specifications for Products and Supplies

Procurement procedures and specifications for products and supplies shall be periodically reviewed to ensure that the District is: (a) purchasing products and supplies that are reusable, durable, or made from or contain recycled materials, if economically and practically feasible, and (b) giving preference to products and supplies containing the highest amount of recycled material and that are consistent with the effective use of the product or supply, if economically and practically feasible.

Recycled Paper and Paper Products Purchases

I. Whenever economically and practically feasible, at least 75% of the total dollar value of paper and paper products purchased by the District will be recycled paper and paper products. shall be purchased according to the following minimum percentages of the District's total dollar value of paper and paper products:

Beginning July 1, 2014 50%

Beginning July 1, 2020 75%

All paper purchased for publishing student newspapers must be recycled newsprint. Paper and paper products purchased from private sector vendors pursuant to printing contracts are exempted from this requirement.

- II. Wherever economically and practically feasible, recycled paper and paper products shall contain postconsumer or recovered paper materials as follows:
 - Recycled high grade printing and writing paper shall contain at least 50% recovered paper material and shall consist of at least 50% de-inked stock or postconsumer material.
 - Recycled tissue products shall contain at least 45% postconsumer material.
 - Recycled newsprint shall contain at least 80% postconsumer material.
 - Recycled unbleached packaging shall contain at least 55% postconsumer material.
 - Recycled paperboard shall contain at least 95% postconsumer material.

These regulations do not apply to art materials, nor to any newspapers, magazines, textbooks, library books or other copyrighted publications that are purchased or used by the District or any school or attendance center within the District, or that are sold in any school supply store operated by or within any such school or attendance center.

Solid Waste Reduction ²

The Superintendent will appoint a team of interested individuals representing various District departments todirect the District's efforts to achieve, before July 1, 2020, at least a 50% reduction in the amount of solid waste that the District generates. The team shall:

1. Periodically review methods and procedures to reduce solid waste generated by academic, administrative, and other institutional functions. These procedures must be designed to, when

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² This section contains several of the many ways a district may comply with 105 ILCS 5/10-20.19c. State law contains the goal stated in the first sentence but does not mandate its achievement. State law requires the periodic review of procedures to reduce solid waste. The activities #1-6 listed in the last paragraph are only ideas and should be customized.

- economically and practically feasible, recycle the District's waste stream, including without limitation landscape waste, computer paper, and white office paper.
- 1.2. Establish a goal for reduction in the amount of solid waste generated by the District, when it is economically and practically feasible to do so.
- 2.3. Identify indicators to monitor the District's progress toward achieving the any established solid waste reduction goal. As necessary, the procedures and methods shall be adjusted and refined.
- 3.4. Make periodic progress reports to the Superintendent or designee.

The team shall devise and oversee methods for making the following activities part of the District culture:

- 1. Staff members actively pursue waste reduction and prevention activities. Examples include:
 - a. Printing and copying individual documents on both sides of the page.
 - b. Setting computer software for default two-sided printing including word processing, spreadsheets, electronic mail, and others.
 - c. Printing or copying only the pages needed.
 - d. Routing memos and newsletters.
 - e. Providing trays to collect and reuse one-sided paper.
 - f. Reducing unwanted mail and eliminate excess mailings.
- 2. Staff members and students seek to reuse or recycle materials to divert them from the waste stream whenever possible.
- 3. A training plan instructs staff members and students in waste reduction and recycling practices.
- 4. The District's solid waste reduction program is publicized and its benefits are emphasized, including cost savings by lowering supply acquisition and disposal costs.
- 5. An incentive program to reduce solid waste exists, e.g., through school recognition programs.
- 6. Staff and students are encouraged to be innovative and suggest improvements to procedures and practices.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.19c

Operational Services

<u>Administrative Procedure - Inventory Management for Federal and State Awards</u>

This procedure applies to property acquired by the District under federal grant awards or State grant awards governed by the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) (30 ILCS 708/). ¹

Definitions

Property - real or personal property. 2 C.F.R. §200.§1.

Equipment - Tangible personal property (including information technology systems) having a useful life of more than one year and per-unit acquisition cost that equals or exceeds the lesser of the capitalization level established by the District for financial statement purposes, or \$5,000. 2 C.F.R. §200.133

Supplies - All tangible personal property other than equipment. 2 C.F.R. §200.194

Acquisition Cost - The cost of the asset including the cost to ready the asset for its intended use. Acquisition cost for equipment, for example, means the net invoice price of the equipment, including the cost of any modifications, attachments, accessories, or auxiliary apparatus necessary to make it usable for the purpose for which it is acquired. Acquisition costs for software includes those development costs capitalized in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Ancillary charges, such as taxes, duty, protective in transit insurance, freight, and installation may be included in or excluded from the acquisition cost in accordance with the District's regular accounting practices. 2 C.F.R. §200.12

Roles and Responsibilities

Roles and Responsibilities	
Actor	Responsibility
Business Manager	Recordkeeping – 2 C.F.R. §200.313(d)(1) and (2)
and/or Designee	1. Ensures all equipment purchased with grant funds is identified and marked as such.
	2. Maintains an inventory list that includes the following:
	a. a description of the property
	b. a serial number or other identification number
	c. the source of funding for the property (including the Federal
	Award Identification Number (FAIN), if applicable)
	d. who holds title
	e. the acquisition date
	f. cost of the property

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¹ The Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) adopts the federal uniform guidance applicable to federal grant awards for all State grant awards, unless the Office of the Governor grants an exception. 30 ILCS 708/55; 44 Ill.Admin.Code §7000.60. For information about the scope of GATA as it pertains to grants administered by the Ill. State Board of Education, see www.isbe.net/gata.

Actor	Responsibility
	 g. percentage of federal or State participation in the cost of the property h. the location, use and condition of the property i. any ultimate disposition data including the date of disposal and sale price of the property. 3. Takes a physical inventory of the property and reconciles the results with the records at least once every two years.
	 Maintenance and Safeguarding – 2 C.F.R. §200.313(d)(4) Budgets for and schedules regular maintenance of the equipment when it is recommended by the manufacturer and arranges for repair of equipment when economically feasible. Oversees implementation of the internal controls for the safeguarding of equipment and supplies required by administrative procedure 4:80-AP1, Internal Control Checklist for Internal Controls. Reports (or receives reports, if so designated) any fraud, waste, or abuse of property in accordance with administrative procedure 4:80-AP2, Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Awareness Program. Investigates reports of property loss, damage, or theft. If appropriate, and in consultation with the Superintendent, makes a report to law enforcement for further investigation.
	Title and Use – 2 C.F.R. §200.313(a) and (c) 1. Ensures the equipment is used for the authorized purposes of the
	grant during the period of the grant, or until the property is no longer needed for the purposes of the project. 2. During the time that equipment is used on the project or program for which it was acquired, designates equipment available for use on other projects or programs currently or previously supported by the federal or State government, provided such use will not interfere with the work for which it was originally acquired, in the following order of priority:
	 a. First preference is given to other programs or projects supported by the awarding agency that financed the equipment. b. Second preference is given to programs or projects under awards from other awarding agencies (in the case of federal awards, to activities under federal awards from other federal awarding agencies; this includes consolidated equipment for information technology systems). 3. If the equipment is to be used for non-federally or non-State-
	funded programs or projects, considers charging user fees. Any fees charged for equipment services acquired under an award must be equal to or greater than what private companies charge

Actor	Responsibility
	for equivalent services, unless specifically authorized by statute, for as long as the government retains an interest in the equipment. 4. Ensures that title to the property is not encumbered without the approval of the awarding agency.
	Disposition – 2 C.F.R. §200.313(e)
	compensation for its attributable percentage of the current fair
	market value of the property. 5. If the District is authorized or required to sell the property, ensures compliance with Board policy 4:80, <i>Accounting and Audits</i> , regarding the disposition of property, and follows proper sales procedures to ensure the highest possible return.
	6. For items of equipment with an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more:
	 a. Obtains two signed bids from potential purchasers or two appraisals from authorized appraisers to determine the per unit current fair market value.
	b. If the per unit current fair market value is \$5,000 or more, follows the procedures outlined in the Ill. State Board of Education's <i>State and Federal Grant Administration Policy</i> ,

Actor	Responsibility
	Fiscal Requirements, and Procedures to obtain ISBE's approval, available at: www.isbe.net/Documents/fiscal_procedure_handbk.pdf. 7. When appropriate, arranges for the trade-in of equipment to be replaced or sale of the property when acquiring replacement equipment. Proceeds from the trade-in or sale may be used to offset the cost of the replacement equipment. Note: If the District fails to take appropriate disposition actions, the awarding agency may direct the District to take disposition actions.
Staff Members Who Receive Equipment/Supplies as	Use the equipment/supplies for the purposes authorized by the grant during the grant period, or until the property is no longer needed for the purposes of the project.
Part of Their Job Duties	Properly use the equipment in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
	Produce the equipment/supplies when requested by the Business Manager or designee, whether for inventory, scheduled maintenance, repair, or other purposes.
	Take reasonable steps to prevent damage to equipment and supplies in accordance with administrative procedure 4:80-AP1, <i>Internal Control Checklist for Internal Controls</i> .
	Report any fraud, waste, or abuse of property in accordance with administrative procedure 4:80-AP2, Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Awareness Program.
	Immediately report lost or stolen equipment/supplies to the Business Manager or designee.
	Return the equipment/supplies when requested by the Business Manager or designee or if it is no longer needed.

Operational Services

Administrative Procedure - Fines, Fees, and Charges - Waiver of Student Fees 1

Actor	Action
Superintendent or designee	Prepares and recommends to the School Board a list of school fees and fines to be charged to students for the use, damage, or loss of textbooks, consumable materials, field trips, extracurricular activities, graduation fees, and similar items. See 105 ILCS 5/1-3, amended by P.A. 102-805, eff. 1–1–23, and 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(a) for a-definitions of school fees and fines.
	Initial notice: For all students enrolling in the District for the first time, notifies their parents/guardians that the District will waive school fees and fines for persons unable to afford them in accordance with <u>Board</u> policy 4:140, <i>Waiver of Student Fees</i> .
	The initial notice must at least describe: (1) the Board's policy, including the criteria and other circumstances under which the District will waive school fees or fines; (2) the school fees or fines subject to a waiver; (3) the procedure to apply for a fee or fine waiver, including the availability of a fee or fine waiver request form and the documents required by the District in verifying income; and (4) the dispute resolution procedure. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(2)(A).
	Notice with every bill: Includes a notice with every bill for fees and/or fines sent to parents/guardians that the District will waive school fees and fines for persons unable to afford them in accordance with <u>Board</u> policy 4:140, <i>Waiver of Student Fees</i> .
	The notice must include a description of the waiver application process or the name, address, and telephone number of the person to contact for information concerning a waiver. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(2)(B).
	Determines whether the required inclusions in these notices will be satisfied by providing parents/guardians with a written copy of Board policy 4:140, <i>Waiver of Student Fees</i> , and 4:140-E1, <i>Application for Fee Waiver</i> .

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¹ School districts have two income verification options for school fee and fine waiver applications. 105 ILCS 5/10-20.13, amended by P.A.s 102-1032, and 103-154eff. 1 1 23. See f/n 7 in sample policy 4:140, Fee Waivers Waiver of Student Fees. This procedure uses option #1. If the district implements option #2 for verifying income to determine eligibility for fee and fine waivers, replace every instance of "4:140-E1, Application for Fee Waiver" with "4:140-E2, Application for Fee Waiver Based on Federal Free Meals Program."

Though 105 ILCS 5/10-20.13 has been amended by P.A.s 102-1032 and 102-805, eff. 1-1-23, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) has yet to update its implementing rules at 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245 in response.

Parents/Guardians seeking a school fee and fine waiver	For waiver sought based on income guidelines for the federal free meals program or because parents/guardians are veterans or active-duty military personnel with income at or below 200% of the federal poverty line:
	Complete 4:140-E1, <i>Application for Fee Waiver</i> , and return it to the Building Principal along with documents that will verify the family's income, such as, payroll stubs, tax returns, or evidence of receipt of food stamps or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(d). ² May apply for a waiver of school fees and fines by completing 4:140-E1, <i>Application for Fee Waiver</i> , at any time.
	For waiver sought based on homeless status:
	Contact the District Liaison for Homeless Children, [insert name], at [insert contact information].
Building Principal or designee	Determines the student's eligibility for fee or fine waiver in accordance with Board policy 4:140, Waiver of Student Fees.
	Notifies parents/guardians within 30 calendar days if their <i>Application for Fee Waiver</i> is denied. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(3).
	A rejection notice must include: (1) the reason for the denial; (2) a notification of their right to appeal as well as the appeal process and timelines (4:140-E3, <i>Response to Application for Fee Waiver, Appeal, and Response to Appeal</i>); and (3) a statement that they may reapply at any time if circumstances change. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(3)(A).
	Ensures that any completed 4:140-E1, Application for Fee Waiver, and 4:140-E3, Response to Application for Fee Waiver, Appeal, and Response to Appeal, are confidentially treated and maintained. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(f).
Parents/Guardians seeking a school fee and fine waiver	May appeal the denial of a waiver request. If requested, meets with the person who will decide the appeal in order to explain why the waiver should be granted. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(3)(B).
Superintendent or designee	If the parents/guardians request to meet with the person who will decide the appeal to explain why the waiver should be granted, contacts the parents/guardians and schedules the meeting. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(3)(B).

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Complete <u>exhibit</u> 4:140-E2, *Application for Fee Waiver Based on Federal Free Meals*, and return it to the Building Principal.

² If the district implements option #2 for verifying income to determine eligibility for fee and fine waivers from f/n 7 of <u>sample</u> policy 4:140, *Waiver of Student Fees*, replace this sentence with the following sentence:

Ensures that the person who decides the appeal is not the person who initially denied the waiver or a subordinate of this person. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(3)(B).

Responds in writing to parents/guardians' appeal within 30 calendar days of receipt of the appeal. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(c)(3)(B).

Ensures that no discrimination or punishment of any kind, including the lowering of grades, exclusion from classes, or withholding of student records, transcripts, or diplomas, is exercised against a student whose parents/guardians are unable to purchase required textbooks or instructional materials or to pay required fees and fines. 105 ILCS 5/28-19.2(a), amended by P.A. 102-805, eff. 1-1-23; 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.245(g). ³



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³ If the district seeks to hold parents/guardians accountable for unpaid fines, fees, or charges, consult the board attorney to ensure that any consequences imposed on parents/guardians do not discriminate against or punish students.



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General Personnel

<u>Administrative Procedure - Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Record Information Security</u>

The District is required by State law to conduct fingerprint-based criminal history record checks on applicants for employment. See administrative procedure 5:30-AP2, *Investigations*, for the procedures to be followed in carrying out such checks. This procedure outlines the District's responsibility to safeguard applicants' criminal justice information (CJI), including Criminal History Records Information (CHRI), received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), whether the information is received directly from the FBI or through the Ill. State Police (ISP) or a live scan vendor pursuant to an existing Outsourcing Management Control Agreement. This procedure is based on the *FBI Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Security Policy* (CJIS Security Policy) available at: https://le.fbi.gov/cjis-division/cjis-security-policy-resource-center (see Appendix J, Noncriminal Justice Agency Supplemental Guidance) and ISP's generic template titled *Criminal History Record Information Proper Access, Use, and Dissemination Procedures*. The FBI's CJIS Security Policy provides a minimum set of security requirements for access to FBI CJIS Division systems and information and to protect and safeguard CJI.

Glossary of Terms

These definitions are based on those provided in the FBI CJIS Security Policy.

Criminal Justice Information (CJI) — All data provided through the FBI CJIS, including, but not limited to, biometric, identity history, person, organization, property (when accompanied by any personally identifiable information), and case/incident history data.

Criminal History Records Information (CHRI) — A subset of CJI that includes identifiable descriptions of arrests, detentions, indictments, information, or other formal criminal charges, and any disposition arising therefrom, including acquittal, sentencing, correctional supervision, and release. For purposes of this procedure, CHRI is interchangeable with CJI.

Authorized Personnel — District employee(s) who have been appropriately vetted through a national fingerprint-based record check and have been granted access to CJI. For purposes of this procedure, Authorized Personnel includes the Superintendent, Human Resources Administrator, Head of Information Technology, and their respective designees.

Electronic Media — Any form of electronic storage media such as a memory device in a laptop or computer (hard drive) or mobile device; and any removable, transportable electronic media, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, flash drive, external hard drive, or digital memory card.

Physical Media — Media in printed form, including, but is not limited to, printed documents, printed imagery, and printed facsimile.

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¹ The Ill. State Police (ISP) generic template can be requested through ISP.BOI.Customer.Support@illinois.gov. Requests for technical assistance from the ISP can also be made through the same email address.

Remote Access — Any temporary access to the District's information system by a user (or an information system) communicating temporarily through an external, non-District controlled network (e.g., the Internet).

Actor	Action
Superintendent or Human Resources Administrator	If the District utilizes a live scan vendor, ensures the District has entered in an outsourcing agreement with the vendor that incorporates appropriate FBI security and management control outsourcing standards to protect CHRI. See <a compact-council="" href="https://www.fbi.gov/file-repository/compact-council-security-and-management-control-outsourcing-standard-for-non-channelers.pdf/view or www.fbi.gov/file-repository/compact-council-security-and-management-control-outsourcing-standard-for-channelers.pdf/view, depending on the status of the vendor (channelers are contractors selected by the FBI that have a direct connection to the FBI's identification system, see https://www.we-can-help-you/more-fbi-services-and-information/compact-council/list-of-approved-channelers). For a list of live scan vendors in Illinois, see https://idfprapps.illinois.gov/licenselookup/fingerprintlist.asp . Point of Contact Designates employee(s) to serve as the District's Point of Contact (POC), who serves as the primary point of contact with the ISP regarding the District's handling of CII. Ensures the District has applicable agreement(s) in place necessary to access CII, e.g., an interagency user agreement with the ISP. Physical Security Designates a secure location within the District with physical and personnel security controls sufficient to protect CHRI and associated information system(s), including the following: 1. The location shall be prominently posted and physically separate from non-secure location. 2. Only Authorized Personnel will have access to the physically secure location. 3. The District is able to control all access points and verify individual access authorizations before granting access. 4. The device(s) that displays CHRI is positioned in such a way as to prevent unauthorized individuals from accessing and/or viewing it. 5

Actor	Action
	Media Protection and Transport
	Ensures controls are in place to protect electronic and physical media containing CHRI while at rest, stored, or actively being accessed, as well as during transport outside of secure areas to prevent inadvertent or inappropriate disclosure and use. Only Authorized Personnel may transport electronic media or physical media containing CHRI.
	If physical and personnel restrictions are not feasible, directs the Head of Information Technology to ensure CHRI is encrypted per the CJIS Security Policy (pg. 160, see SC-13).
	Sanitization and Disposal of CHRI
	Properly sanitizes or disposes of (or designates Authorized Personnel to sanitize or dispose of) physical or electronic media containing CHRI in accordance with the District's record retention schedule. Physical media will be destroyed by one of the following methods:
	 Shredding using District-issue shredders. Placement in locked shredding bins for a private District contractor to come on-site and shred, witnessed by Authorized Personnel. Incineration using District incinerators or witnessed by Authorized Personnel onsite at a District or contractor incineration site, if conducted by non-authorized personnel.
	Electronic media will be disposed of by one of the following methods:
	 Overwriting at least three times (using a program to write onto the location of the media where the file to be sanitized is located) Degaussing (magnetic erasure of data from magnetic media) Physical destruction. (crushing, disassembling, etc., ensuring that the platters have been physically destroyed so that no data can be pulled). Misuse of CHRI
	In the event of misuse of CHRI by a District employee, issues discipline to the employee (such as loss of access privileges) or recommends discipline to the Board up to and including termination and/or refers the matter to law enforcement. See Board policies 5:200, Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal, 5:240, Suspensions, and 5:290, Employment Termination and Suspensions.
Head of Information Technology	Assists the Superintendent and Human Resources Administrator as requested to implement appropriate controls for access to CHRI within the District.
	Account Management Manages information system accounts, including establishing, activating, modifying, reviewing, disabling, and removing accounts.

Actor	Action
	Validates information system accounts at least annually and documents the validation process.
	Monitors electronic system log access to CHRI on a weekly basis for indications of inappropriate or usual activity.
	Remote Access and Personally Owned Devices Authorizes, monitors, and controls all methods of remote access to the information systems that can access, process, transmit, and/or store CJI.
	Employs automated mechanisms to facilitate the monitoring and control of remote access methods and control all remote accesses through managed access control points.
	Permits remote access for privileged functions only for compelling operational needs and documents the rationale for such access in the security plan for the information system.
	If the District permits Authorized Personnel to use personal devices to access, process, store, or transmit CHRI, establishes and documents the specific terms and conditions for personal device use consistent with the requirements in Section 5.13 of the CJIS Security Policy (pg. 173-179).
	Sanitization and Disposal of CHRI Ensures that Information Technology systems that have been used to process, store, or transmit CHRI may not be released from the District's control until the equipment and has been sanitized and all stored information has been cleared using one of the methods authorized in this procedure.
	Security Incidents A discontinuous Security Incidents
	Assists the POC with the reporting of any security incidents to ISP. When feasible, employs automated mechanisms to assist in the reporting of security incidents.
District Point of Contact (POC)	Communicates as needed with the ISP regarding audits, District personnel changes, training, and security.
Contact (1 OC)	Disseminates information security alerts and other communications from ISP to all Authorized Personnel.
	If applicable, identifies who is using live scan hardware, software, and firmware and ensures no unauthorized individuals or processes have access to the same. Identifies and documents how the equipment is connected to the ISP system.

Actor	Action
	Ensures appropriate security measures to protect CHRI are in place and working as expected.
	Maintains a list of Authorized Personnel that is updated annually and when new users are registered or off boarded.
	Annually reviews all information system accounts to ensure that access and account privileges align with job functions, need-to-know, and employment status on systems that contain CHRI.
	Maintains a log for access to any physical files containing CHRI and monitors the log on a weekly basis for indications of inappropriate or unusual activity.
	Maintains Security Awareness Training Certificates for all Authorized Personnel.
	Informs all Authorized Personnel of the procedures for reporting security events and weaknesses that might have an impact on the security of CHRI. Ensures the ISP's Information Security Officer is promptly informed of any security incidents by contacting ISP.LEADSISO@illinois.gov .
	Upon an Authorized Person's separation form District employment, terminates that individual's access to systems or physical areas where CHRI is accessible.
Authorized Personnel	Completes Basic Security Awareness Training within six months of initial assignment and every two years thereafter as required under Section 5.2 of the CJIS Security Policy, as well as any other role-based training that may be required under the CJIS Security Policy (pgs. 11-16). Security Awareness Training is available at: https://www.cjisonline.com/ . Submits Security Awareness Training Certificates to the POC.
	Complies with the District's established controls for access and handling of CHRI.
	Positions documents or other physical media containing CHRI and any devices through which CHRI is viewed in such a manner to prevent authorized persons from accessing or viewing the CHRI.
	Only communicates CHRI in secure, private areas. Takes extreme care to prevent overhearing or interception of communication.
	Unless authorized by the District under specific terms and conditions, never uses a personal device (computer, smartphone, tablet, flash drive, etc.) to access, view, process, store or transmit CHRI.
	Never uses a publicly accessible computer to access, process, store, or transmit CHRI.

Actor	Action
	Promptly reports to the POC any security incidents or weaknesses associated with the District's information systems of which he or she becomes aware.



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General Personnel

<u>Administrative Procedure - Employee Records Required by the Fair Labor Standards Act</u>

Important - School officials should contact the Board Attorney for application of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) to specific situations. The information contained in this procedure, and any information provided in the hyperlinks contained in it, should be confirmed with the Board Attorney before its application to a specific situation.

This table contains the FLSA recordkeeping requirements as described in

www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/whdfs21.htm.

Actor	Action
Business office working with supervisors of non-exempt employees	Keep each of the following records concerning non-exempt employees for at least three years (29 C.F.R. §516.2): 1. Employee's full name and social security number 2. Address, including zip code 3. Birth date, if younger than 19 4. Sex and occupation 5. Time and day of week when employee's workweek begins 6. Hours worked each day 7. Total hours worked each workweek 8. Basis on which employee's wages are paid (e.g., \$9 per hour or \$440 a week) 9. Regular hourly pay rate 10. Total daily or weekly straight-time earnings 11. Total overtime earnings for the workweek 12. All additions to or deductions from the employee's wages
Business office working with supervisors of exempt employees	13. Total wages paid each pay period 14. Date of payment and the pay period covered by the payment Concerning exempt employees, keep for at least three years, the records listed in numbers 1-5 and 13-14 above and a record showing the basis on which the exempt employee's wages are paid (e.g., salary basis of \$x per pay period). 29 C.F.R. §516.3.
Business office	 Payroll records must be kept for at least three years. 29 C.F.R. §516.5(a). Records on which wage computations are based must be kept for at least two years, i.e., time cards and piece work tickets, wage rate tables, work and time schedules, and records of additions to or deductions from wages. 29 C.F.R. §516.6. Collective bargaining agreements and individual employment contracts must be kept for at least three years (when an agreement is not in writing, prepare and retain a written memorandum summarizing it). 29 C.F.R. §516.5(b).

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Actor	Action
	4. Certificates and notices must be kept for at least three years. 29 C.F.R. §516.5(b).
Building Principal	Display an official poster outlining the provisions of FLSA, available at no cost from local offices of the Wage and Hour Division and toll-free, by calling 1-866-487-9243. This poster is also available electronically for downloading and printing at:
	www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/whd_fs.pdf
	Keep records regarding the posting of notices for at least 3 years. 29 C.F.R. §516.5(b).



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General Personnel

<u>Administrative Procedure - Compensable Work Time for Non-Exempt Employees Under the FLSA</u>

Important - School officials should contact the Board Attorney for application of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) to specific situations. The information contained in this procedure, and any information provided in the hyperlinks contained in it, should be confirmed with the Board Attorney before its application to a specific situation.

Resources

Overview — https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/flsa.

For help determining whether time spent on work-related activities is compensable as "hours worked," see the U.S. Dept. of Labor's <u>FLSA Hours Worked Advisor</u>.

Volunteers — https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHD/legacy/files/FOH_Ch10.pdf.

Compensable Time Defined for Non-Exempt Employees

The amount of pay due an employee cannot be determined without knowing the total number of hours actually worked by that employee in each workweek. An employee must be paid for all of the time considered to be hours worked, and all time that is *hours worked* must be counted when determining overtime.

Non-Exempt Employee - The term *non-exempt employee* refers to employees who are not exempt from the overtime provisions in the wage and hour laws. See administrative procedure 5:35-AP1, *Fair Labor Standards Act Exemptions*.

Hours Worked - Non-exempt employees must be compensated for all hours worked in a workweek. In general, hours worked include:

- All the time an employee must be on duty;
- All the time an employee must be on the employer's premises;
- All the time an employee must be at any other prescribed place of work; and
- Any additional time the employee is allowed, i.e., "suffered or permitted" to work (commonly referred to as "working off the clock").

Suffered or Permitted to Work - If an employer knows or has reason to know that a non-exempt employee starts work early or continues to work late, it is considered work time. 29 C.F.R. §785.11.

This includes knowing or having reason to know that an employee works at home, e.g., as when a Building Principal's secretary calls for substitutes early in the morning. 29 C.F.R. §785.12.

If an employee works additional straight time, at the regular rate of pay, or overtime hours without authorization, that employee must still be compensated but may be disciplined for violating School Board policy.

Volunteering to Perform Regular Work - Non-exempt employees may not volunteer to perform their regular work duties off-the-clock and without compensation. 29 U.S.C. §203(e)(4)(A). An employee

must be paid even if he or she offers to do the work on his or her *own time*. Employees may not waive wage and hour law requirements.

Volunteering to Perform Services that Are Not the Same as Regular Work - Non-exempt employees may volunteer to perform services under these conditions:

- 1. The volunteer services are not the same as or similar to the employee's regular work duties,
- 2. The employee offers the services freely and without coercion, direct or implied, and
- 3. The employee provides the services without promise of compensation although a volunteer may be paid "expenses, reasonable benefits, or a nominal fee to perform such services." 29 U.S.C. §203(e)(4)(A), 29 C.F.R. §553.101 and 103.

A fee is not nominal if it is a substitute for compensation or tied to productivity. 29 C.F.R. §553.106(e). While the specific circumstances in each case must be analyzed, the District will generally limit nominal pay to employees for volunteer services to no more than 20% of what the District would otherwise pay to hire an employee for the same services. See *Wage and Hour Division (WHD) Opinion Letters* FLSA 2005-51 (11-10-05); FLSA 2006-28 (8-7-06); and FLSA 2006-28 (10-7-06). See also *WHD Opinion Letters* FLSA 2004-6 (7-14-04); and FLSA 2004-8 (9-7-04) for an examples of a non-exempt school employees serving as a volunteer athletic coaches. U.S. Dept. of Labor WHD opinion letters are available at: http://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/opinion-letters/request/existing-guidance.

Examples of Hours Worked for Non-Exempt Employees

Meal periods, unless the employee is completely relieved of all duties and free to leave the duty post for at least 30 minutes. Teacher aides who must supervise students during their lunch are not considered relieved of duties. Employees who eat at their desk and answer phones or otherwise perform work are not considered relieved of duties.

Attendance at in_services, meetings, or lectures, unless: (1) attendance is outside the employee's regular working hours, (2) attendance is voluntary, (3) the activity is not related to the employee's job, and (4) the employee performs no productive work for the District.

Coffee breaks or rest periods of 20 minutes or less.

Work done at home if the supervisor knows or should have known that such work was done.

Work done before or after regular hours or on weekends.

On-call time if the employee is required to remain on the employer's premises or so close that he/she is unable to use the time effectively for his/her own purposes while on-call.

Transporting material to a worksite before the start of the workday.

Time spent preparing for work, e.g., bus drivers doing safety checks before the route or securing the bus after the route.

Clean-up work at the end of a shift.

Travel time during the workday from one job site to another, e.g., non-exempt school nurses traveling from one school to another.

Travel time during the regular working hours, even if it is the weekend.

Attending a Board meeting at night either to take minutes or perform some other required or assigned duty.

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General Personnel

Administrative Procedure - Fair Labor Standards Act 12-Step Compliance Checklist

Important - School officials should contact the Board Attorney for application of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) to specific situations. The information contained in this procedure, and any information provided in the hyperlinks contained in it, should be confirmed with the Board Attorney before its application to a specific situation.

The U.S. Dept. of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, administers the FLSA. It posts an encyclopedic amount of information on the FLSA on its website at: www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/hrg.htm#8.

Checklist for compliance with the FLSA:

- Classify employees as exempt or non-exempt.
 Identify which employees are covered by the overtime requirements of the FLSA, i.e., non-exempt, and which employees are exempt from the overtime requirements. See aAdministrative pProcedure 5:35-AP1, Fair Labor Standards Act Exemptions, for a list of school employees traditionally exempt and non-exempt. Include a record in each employee's file stating whether he or she is exempt or non-exempt.
 - An exemption from the FLSA overtime pay/compensatory time requirements is the exception, rather than the rule. Any uncertainty should be resolved in favor of finding the employee to be non-exempt and the overtime compensable, as the burden is on the school system to prove that exemptions are applicable.
- 2. Make sure all employees have access to and understand the School Board policy and administrative procedures on the workweek, overtime, and compensatory time. See Board policy 5:35, *Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act*, and and an administrative procedure 5:35-AP3, *Compensable Work Time for Non-Exempt Employees Under the FLSA*. In addition, make sure that all employees:
 - a. Are provided a copy of the Board policy or access to the Board policy published online;
 - b. Acknowledge that they have received and understand the policy; and
 - c. Agree to follow the policy and procedures or be subject to discipline.
- 3. Notify non-exempt employees of their expected work hours in a workweek. Be clear that the salary of non-exempt employees is paid for a 40-hour workweek. Supervisors may regularly schedule employees to work 37.5 hours per week and leave the remainder as possible flexible time. However, to avoid the possibility of *straight-time* claims for hours worked between 37.5 and 40, supervisors need to clearly communicate that the District pays employees a salary for up to 40 hours of work and that the District retains the right to request that the employee perform additional duties up to 40 hours without additional pay.
- 4. Keep precise records of the hours worked by every non-exempt employee by using a good timesheet, time clock, computerized check-in system, or other method. Make sure individual employees keep and sign their weekly record of hours worked. Print an acknowledgment similar to the following on every time sheet: "I acknowledge that I have reviewed this time sheet and that it accurately records all of the time that I worked for the District on the dates indicated and that I did not work for the District at any other times during the workweek that are not recorded on this timesheet."

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- 5. Annually train District supervisory staff, as well as supervisors when first assigned supervisory duties, on FLSA compliance issues, including:
 - a. What counts as compensable work time (see aAdministrative pProcedure 5:35-AP3, Compensable Work Time for Non-Exempt Employees Under the FLSA);
 - b. How timesheets must be completed for non-exempt employees; and
 - c. Their duty to monitor timesheets and verify time worked.
- 6. Train all non-exempt staff when hired and regularly thereafter on the following topics:
 - a. Board policy requirements;
 - b. What counts as compensable time; and
 - c. How to complete timesheets correctly.
- 7. Require non-exempt employees who want to volunteer to execute a Volunteer Agreement. See <u>e</u>Exhibit 5:35-E, *Volunteer Agreement Executed by a Non-Exempt Employee*.
 - Non-exempt employees may only volunteer to perform services on behalf of the school that do not involve the same types of duties they regularly perform in their jobs. Further, in order to be a bona fide volunteer (1) the volunteer services may not be the same as or similar to the employee's regular work duties, (2) the employee must freely and voluntarily, i.e., without any direct or implied coercion or requirement, agree to perform the volunteer services, and (3) the employee provides the services without promise of compensation; however, a volunteer may be paid expenses, reasonable benefits, or a nominal fee to perform the services. See aAdministrative procedure 5:35-AP3, Compensable Work Time for Non-Exempt Employees Under the FLSA, for information about nominal fees.
- 8. Have all non-exempt employees sign the following documents:
 - a. A statement that they were given a copy of the Board's policy on work time and have reviewed it, and that they understand violators may be subject to discipline; and
 - b. If applicable, an agreement that any overtime worked over 40 hours per week will be compensated with time and a half compensatory time rather than overtime pay. See <u>e</u>Exhibit 5:310-E, *Agreement to Receive Compensatory Time-Off*.
- 9. Have supervisory, payroll, and business staffs monitor weekly time records. Make sure that supervisory staff continuously monitors weekly time records for accuracy and completeness, and that they report all overtime worked by non-exempt staff to the finance office for either overtime pay or compensatory time credit.
- 10. Keep FLSA-required records for non-exempt and exempt employees. See <u>a</u>Administrative <u>p</u>Procedure 5:35-AP2, *Employee Records Required by the Fair Labor Standards Act*.
- 11. Post all federal and State required employment posters.

 Make sure that all employment posters are widely posted, e.g., in the teachers' lounge, school office, cafeteria kitchen, bus garage, janitor's closet, and other places where employees gather.
- 12. Consult the Board Attorney about FLSA compliance.

Professional Personnel

Administrative Procedure - School Visitation Leave 1

Eligible employees

These administrative procedures apply to both professional staff and educational service personnel. An employee is eligible for a-school visitation leave if he or she has worked for the District at least six consecutive months immediately before the request and works at least one-half of the full-time equivalent position. 820 ILCS 147/1040. Periods when school is not in session will not count as a break in consecutive service. ²

School Visitation Leave

An employee is entitled to eight hours during any school year, no more than four hours of which may be taken on any given day, to attend school conferences, behavioral meetings, or academic meetings related to the employee's child, if the conference or meeting cannot be scheduled during non-work hours. Employees must first use all accrued vacation leave, personal leave, compensatory leave, and any other leave that may be granted to the employee, except sick and disability leave. 820 ILCS 147/15.

Request

An employee must request a school conference and activity leave in writing at least seven days in advance; in an emergency situation, 24 hours' notice is required. The employee must consult with the employer to schedule the leave so as to minimize disruption. 820 ILCS 147/15. A leave request may be denied if granting the leave would result in more than 5% of the work force, or work force shift, taking leave at the same time. 820 ILCS 147/49.

Compensation

A sSchool visitation leave is unpaid. The District will attempt, however, to give the employee the opportunity to make-up the time taken for such a leave, subject to the requirements relating to reduction of pay of exempt employees in the federal Fair Labor Standards Act. 820 ILCS 147/20. The employee taking a visitation leave will not lose any benefits, nor will the District terminate any employee for an absence due solely to the employee's attendance at a school conference, behavioral meeting, or academic meeting. 820 ILCS 147/35.

Verification

An employee returning from a school visitation leave must provide the Building Principal with verification of the visitation from the school administrator of the school visited. Failure to provide this verification within two working days of the visitation will subject the employee to the standard disciplinary procedures for unexcused absences from work. 820 ILCS 147/30.

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¹ The School Visitation Rights Act applies to only those districts employing at least 50 people. (820 ILCS 147/40). Modify this procedure to align with board policy. Customize it to reflect the district's practice, particularly to specify the district's treatment of eligible employees.

² This provision is not in State law, but is consistent with other laws concerning school employees.

LEGAL REF.: 820 ILCS 147/, School Visitation Rights Act.



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Instruction

Exhibit - Special Education Required Notice and Consent Forms

Below is the URL to Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) updated *Special Education Required Notice* and Consent Forms and instructions to understand the purpose and use of each form. The forms are the official versions of the State-required forms. The URL also provides access to each form in languages other than English.

www.isbe.net/Pages/Special-Education-Required-Notice-and-Consent-Forms.aspx



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<u>Instruction</u>

Administrative Procedure - Access to Classrooms and Personnel

Access to classrooms and personnel is permitted in limited situations by 105 ILCS 5/14-8.02(g-5). Guidelines follow:

- 1. These guidelines apply to access requested by the parent/guardian of a student receiving special education services or being evaluated for eligibility, an independent educational evaluator, or a qualified professional retained by or on behalf of a parent/guardian or student. A *qualified professional* means "an individual who holds credentials to evaluate the child in the domain or domains for which an evaluation is sought or an intern working under the direct supervision of a qualified professional, including a master's or doctoral degree candidate." These individuals are referred to in this procedure as *visitors*.
- 2. Visitors will be afforded reasonable access to educational facilities, personnel, classrooms, and buildings and to the student. To minimize disruption, reasonable access means that the parent(s)/guardian(s) or qualified professional retained by or on behalf of https://example.com/atthe-parent(s)/guardian(s) or student is allowed access once per school quarter for up to one hour or one class period. A visitor may request the authorized administrator to grant longer or additional observations based on individual circumstances and provide any supporting documentation in support of such a request. A professional evaluator can request longer or additional observations in his or her initial request. The administrator may grant, deny, or modify the request, and the administrator's decision shall be final.
- 3. Visitors must comply with:
 - a. School safety, security, and visitation policies at all times.
 - b. Applicable privacy laws, including those laws protecting the confidentiality of education records such as the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and the Illinois School Student Records Act.
 - c. Board policy 8:30, *Visitors to and Conduct on School Property*. Visitors may not disrupt the educational process.
- 4. If the visitor is a parent/guardian, he or she will be afforded reasonable access as described above for the purpose of:
 - a. Observing his or her child in the child's current educational placement, services, or program, or
 - b. Visiting an educational placement or program proposed for the child by the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team.
- 5. If the visitor is an independent educational evaluator or a qualified professional retained by or on behalf of a parent/guardian or student, he or she must be afforded reasonable access of sufficient duration and scope for the purpose of conducting an evaluation of the student, the student's performance, the student's current educational program, placement, services, or environment, or any educational program, placement, services, or environment proposed for

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¹ State law is silent on the frequency and length of access. These provisions may be omitted or changed. If the frequency or length of access is limited, the procedure should allow a visitor to request longer or additional access (as in the next sentence).

the student, including interviews of educational personnel, student observations, assessments, tests, or assessments of the student's educational program, services, or placement or of any educational program proposed by the IEP team, services, or placement. If one or more interviews of school personnel are part of the evaluation, the interviews must be conducted at a mutually agreed upon time, date, and place that do not interfere with the school employee's school duties. The Building Principal or designee may limit interviews to personnel having information relevant to the student's current educational services, program, or placement or to a proposed educational service, program, or placement.

- 6. Prior to visiting a school, school building, or school facility, a visitor must complete 6:120-AP2, E1, Request to Access Classroom(s) or Personnel for Special Education Evaluation and/or Observation Purposes. This form serves to:
 - a. Inform the Building Principal or designee in writing of the proposed visit(s), the purpose, and the duration, and
 - b. Identify requested dates/times for the visit(s) to facilitate scheduling.
- 7. The student's parent/guardian must consent in writing to the student being interviewed by the named evaluator as part of a visit. The parent/guardian will grant this consent by completing 6:120-AP2, E1, Request to Access Classroom(s) or Personnel for Special Education Evaluation and/or Observation Purposes.
- 8. The student's parent/guardian, or the student, if he or she is over the age of 18, must execute an Authorization to Release Student Record Information before an independent educational evaluator or a qualified professional retained by or on behalf of a parent/guardian or student will be given access to student school records or to personnel who would likely release such records during discussions about the student. If a student is over the age of 12 and the records contain mental health and/or developmental disability information, the student must also be requested to sign the Authorization to Release Student Record Information before any observation by or disclosure of school student records or information to a visitor.
- 9. The visitor must acknowledge, before the visit, that he or she is obligated to honor students' confidentiality rights and refrain from any re-disclosure of such records and/or information. The visitor will provide this acknowledgment and agreement by completing 6:120-AP2, E1, Request to Access Classroom(s) or Personnel for Special Education Evaluation and/or Observation Purposes.
- 10. The Building Principal or designee will attempt to arrange the visit(s) at times that are mutually agreeable. The Building Principal or designee will accompany any visitor for the duration of the visit, including during any interviews of staff members.
- 11. If the visitor is a professional retained by the parent/guardian, the visitor must provide identification and credentials before the visit.
- 12. This procedure applies to any public school facility, building, or program and to any facility, building, or program supported in whole or in part by public funds. The student's case manager or other School District designee must facilitate such visit(s) when the student attends a program outside of the District, such as at a private day program or residential program, provided it is supported in whole or in part by public funds.

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Instruction

Exhibit - Request to Access Classroom(s) or Personnel for Special Education **Evaluation and/or Observation Purposes** Student name:_____ DOB: School attending: Grade: The following information must be completed by individuals requesting to access a school building, facility, and/or educational programs or to interview School District personnel or the student named above for the purpose of assessing the student's special education needs. Please complete this form and return it to the Building Principal or Program Director where the student is enrolled. He or she will contact you to coordinate your visit: **Parent/Guardian** (Complete this section if the person making the request is the parent/guardian.) Address: I am the parent/guardian of the above-named student and wish to observe my child in the following classroom/settings: for the purpose of:__ I am the parent/guardian of the above-named student and wish to observe the following classroom/settings which have been recommended for my child: for the purpose of: Observations are limited to one hour or one class period per school quarter. **Independent Evaluator or Other Qualified Professional** (Complete this section if the person making the request is not the parent/guardian.) Agency/Company:_____ Phone: Email address: Address: My professional training and/or licensure or certification, if applicable, is (check all that apply): Clinical Psychologist School Psychologist Licensed Clinical Social Worker Licensed Social Worker School Social Worker Occupational Therapist Physical Therapist Speech/Language Pathologist Audiologist Psychiatrist 6:120-AP2, E1 Page 1 of 2

Registered Nurse Certified School Nurse		
Other qualified professional (list credentials):		
I have been requested by the above named student's parent/guardian to conduct an evaluation of the student for the purpose of:		
As part of this evaluation, I am requesting the following for the length of time noted (<i>check all the apply</i>):		
Observation of student in the following classroom(s)/setting(s):		
Duration:		
Opportunity to interview the following personnel believed to work with the student:		
Duration:		
Opportunity to interview the student.		
I will need more than one hour or one class period for my visit for the following reason(s):		
Student records, as noted in the attached, signed Authorization to Release Student Record Information.		
Acknowledgement (To be completed by the person making the access request.)		
I understand that the District will allow me reasonable access to the school, school facilities, of educational programs or individual(s) I have requested as related to the purpose of my visit. I have been provided with a copy of 6:120-AP2, <i>Access to Classrooms and Personnel</i> , and agree to comply with its terms and conditions. I further understand that during my visit, I must honor all students confidentiality rights and refrain from any re-disclosure of such records, and/or-information, and/or observations.		
Individual Requesting Access Signature Date		
Parent/Guardian Verification (Must be completed whenever an independent evaluator or other qualified professional requests access.)		
I,		
Parent/Guardian Signature Date		

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Administrative Procedure - Education of Homeless Children

Actor	Action
School Board Preliminary Step	Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, determines whether to expend transportation funds to provide financial homeless prevention assistance to the parents/guardians (or persons who enroll students) of children who are homeless or <i>at risk of becoming homeless</i> , in accordance with the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/29-5 (amended by P.A. 102-539); 105 ILCS 45/1-17. See duties of the Liaison for Homeless Children below for specific eligibility requirements.
Superintendent Preliminary Steps	Serves as or designates an appropriate staff person, who may also be a coordinator for other federal programs, to serve as a Liaison for Homeless Children. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(1)(J)(ii). Under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. §11434a(2)), homeless children and youths means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence (within the meaning of 42 U.S.C. §11302(a)(1)). The term includes: 1. Children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals; Note: Section42 U.S.C. §11434a(2) no longer includes children "awaiting foster care placement" within the definition of homeless children and youths. 2. Children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (within the meaning of Section 42 U.S.C. §11302(a)(2)(C)); 3. Children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and 4. Migratory children (as such term is defined in section 20 U.S.C. §6399 of title 20) who qualify as homeless for purposes of this part
	because the children aretheir living situations are covered by in clauses (1), (2), or through (3) above. Under the Education for Homeless Children Act, 105 ILCS 45/1-5, homeless person, child, or youth includes, but is not limited to, any of the following: 1. An individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime place of abode.

Actor	Action
	 2. An individual who has a primary nighttime place of abode that is: a. A supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing); b. An institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or c. A public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
Liaison for Homeless Children Duties	Reviews and uses the information provided at: www.isbe.net/Pages/Homeless.aspx to become aware of the resources and training materials provided by the Ill.inois State Board of Education (ISBE) with regard to regarding the education of homeless children. For information about federal requirements and technical assistance from the National Center for Homeless Education, funded by the U.S. Dept. of Education, Ssee www2.ed.gov/programs/homeless/legislation.html thus: Dept. of Education's information about federal requirements.
	Ensures that homeless children and youths are identified by school personnel and through coordinated activities with other entities and agencies. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(i). Ensures that homeless children and youths enroll in, and have a full and
	equal opportunity to succeed in, District programs. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(ii).
	Ensures that homeless families, children, and youths have access to and receive educational services for which they are eligible, and make referrals to health care, dental, mental health and substance abuse, housing, and other appropriate services. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(iii)-(iv).
	Informs parents/guardians of educational and related opportunities available to their children, and provide them with meaningful opportunities to participate in their children's education. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(v).
	Disseminates public notice of the educational rights of homeless children and youths in the locations where they receive services (such as schools, shelters, public libraries, and soup kitchens). 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(vi).
	 Mediates enrollment disputes to: Ensure the child/youth is immediately enrolled in the school in which enrollment is sought, pending resolution of the dispute; Provide the homeless child/youth's parent/guardian with a written explanation of the school's decision regarding school selection or enrollment, including their rights to appeal the decision; Complete the dispute resolution process as expeditiously as possible; and

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Liaison for Homeless Children, cont'd Duties	4. In the case of an unaccompanied youth, ensure that the youth is immediately enrolled in school pending resolution of the dispute. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(E)(i)-(iv) and 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(vii).
	Fully informs the parent/guardian of a homeless child/youth, and any unaccompanied youth, of all transportation services and assist in accessing transportation services. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A)(viii). Convene a meeting with the parent/guardian and teacher of the child if the travel time to a homeless child's school of origin is longer than one hour each way, or if the travel time is shorter, but the District wishes to evaluate whether such travel is in the best interest of the child's development and education. 105 ILCS 45/1-15.
	Assists unaccompanied youth in placement/enrollment decisions, consider the youth's wishes in those decisions, and provide notice to the youth of the right to appeal such decisions. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(B)(iv).
	Assists children/youths who do not have immunizations or medical records in obtaining necessary immunizations and/or medical records. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(C)(iii).
	If needed, verifiesy children's homeless status so they may obtain free copies of their birth certificates, in accordance with procedures established by the State Registrar of Vital Records. 410 ILCS 535/25.3, amended by P.A. 102-1141.
	Collaborates with State and local social service agencies that provide services to the homeless as well as with community and school personnel responsible for the provision of education and related services to homeless children and youths. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(5)(A) and (g)(6)(C).
	Conducts a hardship review whenever a child and his or her parent/guardian who initially share the housing of another person due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar hardship continue to share the housing; a hardship review should be performed after the passage of 18 months and annually thereafter. 105 ILCS 45/1-25(a-5).
	Makes a recommendation to the Superintendent regarding whether the Board should authorize financial homeless prevention assistance for families with children who are homeless or <i>at risk of being homeless</i> . 105 ILCS 5/29-5, (amended by P.A. 102-539); 105 ILCS 45/1-17.
	In those cases where the parties agree it is in the best interest of the child and District to do so, prepares a written housing plan (Plan) to provide financial assistance in an amount that will allow a child who is homeless or at risk of being homeless to remain permanently in his/her home or obtain

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Liaison for Homeless Children, cont'd Duties	new housing. Financial assistance may include: (1) mortgage or rerassistance that will allow a child to remain permanently in his/her living situation or obtain a new living situation; and/or (2) assistance with unpubils, loans, or other financial debts that result in housing being inadequation 105 ILCS 45/1-17(a).	
	Before entering into any such Plan, verifics that all of the following requirements have been met in order for the District to claim the financial assistance against its State transportation funds: 1. The District has attempted to provide the financial assistance through its local homeless assistance agency that is part of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act's continuum of care. 105 ILCS 45/1-17(b). 2. The amount of the financial assistance will not exceed the District's actual costs for providing transportation for the child. 105 ILCS 5/29-5, amended by P.A. 102-539. 3. The District is not otherwise claiming the transportation costs in another State or federal grant. 105 ILCS 5/29-5, amended by P.A. 102-539. 4. If the assistance is to be provided to a child at risk of becoming homeless, the parent/guardian, person who enrolled the child, or unaccompanied minor has provided documented evidence showing that the child's living situation will, within eight weeks, cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate and will result in the child becoming homeless. Acceptable proof includes, but is not limited to: foreclosure notice, eviction notice, utility shut-off or discontinuation notice, or written statement from the parent/guardian, person who enrolled the student, or unaccompanied minor. 105 ILCS 45/1-17(d). Refers the child or his/or-her parent/guardian to the ombudsperson appointed by the Regional Superintendent whenever a school denies a homeless child enrollment or transportation, and provides the child or his/or-her parent(s)/guardian(s) with a written statement of the basis for the denial. 105 ILCS 45/1-25(a).	
Parents/guardians Assignment	Choose the child's attendance center between the following options (105 ILCS 45/1-10 controls because it exceeds the rights granted to parents/guardians in federal law):	
	Continuing the child's education in the school of origin for as long as the child remains homeless or, if the child becomes permanently	

The footnotes are not intended to be part of the adopted policy; they should be removed before the policy is adopted.

^{1 105} ILCS 45/1-17(c). The law does not detail the specific contents of a Plan; a plan should be locally developed in consultation with the board attorney and/or the district's auditor. There are several critical issues to consider in developing a Plan: (1) will the financial assistance be provided directly to third parties such as landlords, utility companies, etc., or will it be paid directly to parents/guardians (where there may be more potential for fraudulent activity); (2) what documentation, if any, the district will require to substantiate payment of rent, bills, etc., under the Plan; (3) the duration of the Plan and how often it will be reviewed; and (4) any other controls which should be implemented for auditing purposes.

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	housed, until the end of the academic year during which the housing is acquired; or 2. Enrolling the child in any school that non-homeless students who live in the attendance area in which the child or youth is actually living are eligible to attend.
	The term <i>school of origin</i> means the school that the child attended when permanently housed or the school in which the child was last enrolled. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(I) and 105 ILCS 45/1-5.
	If the child is attending his/her school of origin, make a good faith effort to provide or arrange for transportation to and from the school of origin, including authorizing relatives, friends, or a program for homeless persons to provide the child with transportation.
Building Principal Where Homeless Student Will be Enrolled	Shall-iImmediately enrolls the homeless child/youth, even if the child/youth is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment, e.g., previous academic records, medical records, proof of residency, or other documentation. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(C)(i) and 105 ILCS 45/1-20.
Enrollment	Shall iImmediately contacts the school last attended by the child/youth to obtain relevant academic and other records. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(C)(ii) and 105 ILCS 45/1-20.
	If the child/youth needs to obtain immunizations, or immunization or medical records, shall-immediately refers the child/youth's parent/guardian to the Liaison for Homeless Children. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(C)(iii) and 105 ILCS 45/1-20.
	Maintains records for the homeless child/youth that are ordinarily kept for students according to District policy and procedure on student school records. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(D). See <u>Board policy</u> 7:340, <i>Student Records</i> , and <u>administrative procedure</u> 7:340-AP1, <i>School Student Records</i> .
	Ensures each homeless child/youth is provided services comparable to services offered to other students including the following (42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(4)):
	 Transportation services; Educational services for which the child/youth meets the eligibility criteria, such as services provided under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 or similar State or local programs, educational programs for children with disabilities, and educational programs for English learners; Programs in career and technical education; Programs for gifted and talented students; and School nutrition programs.
	Shall rRequires a parent/guardian of a homeless child/youth, if available, to submit contact information. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(H) and 105 ILCS 45/1-20.

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Transportation Director and Building Principal Where Homeless Student Will be Enrolled Transportation	Ensure transportation is provided to a homeless child/youth, at the request of the parent/guardian (or in the case of an unaccompanied youth, the Liaison), to and from the school of origin. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(1)(J)(iii); 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(4)(A). State law, found at 105 ILCS 45/1-15, is superseded by federal law. The term <i>school of origin</i> means the school that the student attended when permanently housed or the school in which the student was last enrolled. 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(3)(I). Transportation shall be arranged as follows: 1. If the homeless child/youth continues to live in the area served by the school district in which the school of origin is located, the child/youth's transportation to and from the school of origin shall be provided or arranged by the district in which the school of origin is located. 2. If the homeless child/youth's living arrangements in the area served by the district of origin terminate and the child/youth, though continuing his or her education in the school of origin, begins living in an area served by another school district, the district of origin and the district in which the homeless child/youth is living shall agree upon a method to apportion the responsibility and costs for providing the student with transportation to and from the school of origin. If the local educational agencies are unable to agree upon such method, the responsibility and costs for transportation shall be shared equally.
Liaison for Homeless Children Dispute	If a dispute arises involving any issue related to the homeless status or homelessness related claim of a child/youth or the child/youth's parent/guardian, attempts to resolve any disagreement. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(b)(1). Note: The District must structure dispute resolution as informally as possible to give a child/youth or the child/youth's parent/guardian any necessary assistance navigating the process. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(b)(2). Does not delay enrollment, transportation, or other services before or during dispute resolution; continues providing those services until the conclusion of the dispute resolution process (including any appeals). 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(b)(3).
Superintendent or Designee Dispute	If a dispute <u>is not resolved by the Liaison for Homeless Children, arises, shall informsends a letter to</u> the homeless <u>child/youth or the child/youth</u> 's parents/guardians, the Regional Superintendent (or Intermediate Service Center Executive Director), and the State Coordinator of Homeless Children and Youth (State Coordinator) indicating the District's position on the <u>dispute and including information on (23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(c)):</u> 1. of tThe availability of an <u>ombudspersoninvestigator</u> ; 2. <u>sSources forof</u> low-cost or free legal assistance; and

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	3. OOther advocacy services in the community; and 1.4. The dispute resolution procedure. Each Regional Superintendent appoints an ombudsperson to provide resource information and resolve disputes at schools within his or her jurisdiction relating to the rights of homeless children under this Act. 105 ILCS 45/1-25. The Homeless Family Placement Act governs shelter placement. 310 ILCS 85/1.
Regional Superintendent (or Intermediate Service Center Executive Director)	No later than 10 school days after receiving the Superintendent or Designee's dispute letter, appoints an ombudsperson to provide resource information and resolve disputes at schools within the region relating to the rights of homeless children under 105 ILCS 45/. 105 ILCS 45/1-25(a); 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(d).
<u>Dispute</u>	
<u>Dispute</u>	Within five school days after receiving notice of the dispute, if possible, convenes a meeting with the parties and attempts to resolve the dispute. Id. During dispute resolution, the ombudsperson (23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(d)(1)-(4)): 1. Must set clear rules and timelines for the dispute resolution process and inform each party of their respective expectations; 2. Must provide copies of documents that will be used by the other party before the meeting, if possible; 3. Must allow: a. A complete presentation of relevant facts by all parties; and b. Assistance for the child/youth or the child/youth's parent/guardian from a legal representative knowledgeable of federal and State laws concerning homeless students' educational rights; 4. May: a. Require each party to make an opening statement; b. Limit the amount of time each party may use to present information; c. Pose questions to each party; d. Limit any redundant testimony or testimony that is not directly related to homelessness claims; or e. Make allowances for the child/youth or child/youth's parent/guardian, e.g., in how evidence or arguments are presented. No later than 10 school days after the conclusion of the dispute resolution
	meeting, if possible, makes a written determination using a form supplied by ISBE. The form must include all components set forth in 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(d)(5)(A)-(I), including notice of the parties' right to appeal the final determination by submitting a written appeal request within five school days to the State Coordinator. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(d), (e).

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State Coordinator Dispute	After receiving a written appeal request, obtains from the ombudsperson all documents, notes, transcripts, and any other materials used by the parties to present their cases. May request additional relevant information. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(e)(1). No later than 15 school days after receiving a written appeal request, makes a final determination and notifies the parties of its decision. May, if necessary, extend the timeline for an additional five school days but must inform the parties of any extension. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(e)(2).
State Superintendent of Education or Designee	If it is determined that a District's actions giving rise to a dispute are inconsistent with applicable law, may require the District to take any action necessary to comply with the law. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.241(f).
<u>Dispute</u>	If the District does not comply, places the District's recognition status on probation in accordance with 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.20(b). Id.



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Instruction

Administrative Procedure - District Annual Report Card Required by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Districts must disseminate an annual report card that includes information on the District as a whole and each school served by the District, with aggregate and disaggregated information for each required subgroup of students, including: (a) student achievement on academic assessments (designated by category), (b) graduation rates, district performance, teacher qualifications, and (c) other required information required by 20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(2)(C) of ESSA.

District Annual Report Card

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) will ensure that the District:

- 1. Collects the appropriate data for its annual report card, including:
 - a. ISBE's State Report Card Information (see ISBE Annual Report Card Requirements in 20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(1)(C) subhead, below disaggregated in the same manner as ISBE is required to present it, as that information applies to the District and each of its schools, including:
 - Information that shows how students in the District achieved on the academic assessments described in 20 U.S.C. §6311(b)(2) (high quality Illinois Assessments) compared to students in the State as a whole (20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(2)(C)(i));
 - ii. Information that shows how each student in each of the District's Schools achieved on the academic assessments described in described in 20 U.S.C. §6311(b)(2) (high quality Illinois Assessments) compared to students in the State as a whole (20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(2)(C)(ii)); and
 - iii. Any other information that the District determines is appropriate and will best provide parents, students, and other members of the public with information regarding the progress of each school in the District, whether or not such information is included in the annual ISBE report card (20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(2)(C)(iii)).
- 2. Excludes "results on the Illinois academic assessments in reading and mathematics in grades 4 and 8 of the National Assessment of Educational Progress, compared to the national average of such results (20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(1)(C)(xii))."

ISBE Annual Report Card Requirements in 20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(1)(C)

The following text is a direct copy of 20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(1)(C)(i) (xiv), amended by Pub. L. 115 224; it states that Illinois' report card shall include the following information:

- (i) A clear and concise description of the State's accountability system under subsection (e), including—
 - (I) The minimum number of students that the State determines are necessary to be included in each of the subgroups of students, as defined in subsection (c)(2), for use in the accountability system;
 - (II) The long term goals and measurements of interim progress for all students and for each of the subgroups of students, as defined in subsection (c)(2);

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- (III) The indicators described in subsection (c)(4)(B) used to meaningfully differentiate all public schools in the State:
- (IV) The State's system for meaningfully differentiating all public schools in the State, including
 - (aa) The specific weight of the indicators described in subsection (c)(4)(B) in such differentiation:
 - (bb) The methodology by which the State differentiates all such schools;
 - (cc) The methodology by which the State differentiates a school as consistently underperforming for any subgroup of students described in section (c)(4)(C)(iii), including the time period used by the State to determine consistent underperformance; and
 - The methodology by which the State identifies a school for comprehensive support and improvement as required under subsection (c)(4)(D)(i):
- The number and names of all public schools in the State identified by the State for comprehensive support and improvement under subsection (c)(4)(D)(i) or implementing targeted support and improvement plans under subsection (d)(2); and
- (VI) The exit criteria established by the State as required under clause subsection (d)(3)(A), including the length of years established under clause (i)(II) of such subsection
- For all students and disaggregated by each subgroup of students described in subsection (b)(2)(B)(xi), homeless status, status as a child in foster care, and status as a student with a parent who is a member of the Armed Forces (as defined in section 101(a)(4) of Title 10) on active duty (as defined in section 101(d)(5) of such title), information on student achievement on the academic assessments described in subsection (b)(2) at each level of achievement, as determined by the State under subsection (b)(1).
- (iii) For all students and disaggregated by each of the subgroups of students, as defined in subsection (c)(2), and for purposes of subclause (II) of this clause, homeless status and status as a child in foster care
 - (I) Information on the performance on the other academic indicator under subsection (c)(4)(B)(ii) for public elementary schools and secondary schools that are not high schools, used by the State in the State accountability system; and
 - (II) High school graduation rates, including four year adjusted cohort graduation rates and, at the State's discretion, extended year adjusted cohort graduation rates.
- Information on the number and percentage of English learners achieving English language proficiency.
- For all students and disaggregated by each of the subgroups of students, as defined in subsection (c)(2), information on the performance on the other indicator or indicators of school quality or student success under subsection (c)(4)(B)(v) used by the State in the State accountability system-
- Information on the progress of all students and each subgroup of students, as defined in subsection (e)(2), toward meeting the State-designed long term goals under subsection (c)(4)(A), including the progress of all students and each such subgroup of students against the State measurements of interim progress established under such subsection.
- (vii) For all students and disaggregated by each subgroup of students described in subsection (b)(2)(B)(xi), the percentage of students assessed and not assessed.

- (viii) Information submitted by the State educational agency and each local educational agency in the State, in accordance with data collection conducted pursuant to section 3413(c)(1) of this title, on
 - (I) Measures of school quality, climate, and safety, including rates of in school suspensions, out of school suspensions, expulsions, school related arrests, referrals to law enforcement, chronic absenteeism (including both excused and unexcused absences), incidences of violence, including bullying and harassment; and
 - (II) The number and percentage of students enrolled in
 - (aa) Preschool programs; and
 - (bb) Accelerated coursework to earn postsecondary credit while still in high school, such as Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses and examinations, and dual or concurrent enrollment programs.
- (ix) The professional qualifications of teachers in the State, including information (that shall be presented in the aggregate and disaggregated by high poverty compared to low poverty schools) on the number and percentage of
 - (I) Inexperienced teachers, principals, and other school leaders;
 - Teachers teaching with emergency or provisional credentials; and
 - (III) Teachers who are not teaching in the subject or field for which the teacher is certified or licensed.
- (x) The per pupil expenditures of Federal, State, and local funds, including actual personnel expenditures and actual nonpersonnel expenditures of Federal, State, and local funds, disaggregated by source of funds, for each local educational agency and each school in the State for the preceding fiscal year.
- (xi) The number and percentages of students with the most significant cognitive disabilities who take an alternate assessment under subsection (b)(2)(D), by grade and subject.
- (xii) Results on the State academic assessments in reading and mathematics in grades 4 and 8 of the National Assessment of Educational Progress carried out under section 303(b)(3) of the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act (20 U.S.C. 9622(b)(3)), compared to the national average of such results.
- (xiii) Where available, for each high school in the State, and beginning with the report card prepared under this paragraph for 2017, the cohort rate (in the aggregate, and disaggregated for each subgroup of students defined in subsection (c)(2)), at which students who graduate from the high school enroll, for the first academic year that begins after the students' graduation—
 - (I) In programs of public postsecondary education in the State; and
 - (II) If data are available and to the extent practicable, in programs of private postsecondary education in the State or programs of postsecondary education outside the State.
- (xiv) Any additional information that the State believes will best provide parents, students, and other members of the public with information regarding the progress of each of the State's public elementary schools and secondary schools, which may include the number and percentage of students meeting State determined levels of performance for core indicators, as defined by section 113(b)(3)(A) of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. 2323(b)(3)(A)), and reported by States only in a manner consistent with section 113(b)(3)(C) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 2323(b)(3)(C)).

LEGAL REF.: 20 U.S.C. §6311(h)(1)(C) and (h)(2)(C).

Pub. L. 115-224, Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act.

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Students

Administrative Procedure - Responding to Complaints About Library Media Resources

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Parents/Guardians, Employees, or Community Members	Submits any feedback or complaints about the District's library media resources to the Building Principal, using exhibit_6:230-AP , E, Library Media Resource Objection Form.
Building Principal	Directs any parent/guardian, employee, or community member wishing to submit formal feedback or a complaint regarding the District's library media resources to complete exhibit 6:230-AP, E, Library Media Resource Objection Form.
	If the complaint alleges a violation of law or board policy, refers the complaint to the District Complaint Manager for processing under Board policy 2:260, <i>Uniform Grievance Procedure</i> .
	Transmits the <i>Library Media Resource Objection Form</i> to the Superintendent or designee for further action.
Superintendent, in consultation with the School Librarian	Determines on a case-by-case basis what action, if any, will be taken in response to a complaint about a library media resource. In making a determination, considers whether the library media resource is aligned with the criteria set forth in Board policy 6:230, <i>Library Media Program</i> , specifically, does the resource in question:
	 Supplement classroom instruction Foster reading for pleasure Enhance information literacy Support research Align with the principles of the American Library Association's <i>Library Bill of Rights</i> regarding selection of materials, which include: ¹ Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the
	community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded

The footnotes should be removed before the material is used.

This alternative language conforms with the requirements of 23 III.Admin.Code §§3035.120 and 3035.140(e), implementing the School District Library Grant Program. A district applying for this grant should submit policy 6:230, *Library Media Program*, and this administrative procedure to the III. State Library as part of the eligibility certification for the grant.

¹ If a board has adopted the alternative language for Standard #5 in sample policy 6:230, *Library Media Program* (see f/n 1), delete item #5 and insert the following sentence immediately below the numbered list:

In accordance with the Board's inherent authority to prohibit the practice of banning specific books or other library materials as stated in policy 6:230, *Library Media Program*, and to prevent censorship of material and ensure the protection of library users' intellectual freedom, rejects any requests that books or other materials within the District's library media program be removed merely because individuals or groups object to the material, be banned.

	because of the origin, background, or views of	
	contributing to their creation. b. Libraries should provide materials and information pres all points of view on current and historical issues. Ma should not be proscribed or removed because of partidoctrinal disapproval. c. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment or responsibility to provide information and enlightenment. Insults with the Board Attorney regarding responses to complaints ary resources.	enting terials san or
M d	pares and sends a written response to the person who submitted the <i>L</i> dia Resource Objection Form, informing the person of the Disision. es on the <i>Library Media Resource Objection Form</i> the date on whi	strict's



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Administrative Procedure - Evaluating and Reporting Student Achievement

Actor	Action
Teacher	Informs students about the grading system at the beginning of each school year or term, whichever is applicable.
	Explains that grades: (1) assess progress toward education goals and assist in the improvement of that progress, (2) will be given by the teacher, using his or her professional judgment, in an impartial and consistent manner, and (3) will reflect excessive absences.
	Assesses student achievement as demonstrated through such performance indicators as the following (these are not listed in order of importance and are not exclusive): 1. Preparation of assignments, including completeness, accuracy, legibility, and promptness. 2. Contribution to classroom discussions.
	 Demonstrated understanding of concepts. Application of skills and knowledge to new situations. Organization, presentation, and content of written and oral reports. Originality and reasoning ability when working through problems. Accomplishment in class presentations and projects. Performance on tests, quizzes, and final examinations.
4	Assigns grades for academic improvement and achievement using standardized criterion-referenced test scores, letter grades, and/or other assigned numerical criteria.
	A grade of <i>incomplete</i> should be assigned when a student experiences an excused, extended absence at the end of the term or during final examinations; an incomplete grade, if not satisfied within two weeks, will be changed to a failure.
	Whenever it becomes evident that a student is in danger of failing, arranges a special conference with the parent(s)/guardian(s) or sends the parent(s)/guardian(s) a written report.
Building	Supervises implementation of this administrative procedure.
Principal or designee	Ensures that parent(s)/guardian(s) are informed of their child's progress at regular intervals, but at least four times a year, and whenever the student's performance requires special attention.
	Divorced or separated parents will both be informed unless a court order requires otherwise. For further information, see <i>Answers to FAQs Regarding Students with Divorced or Divorcing Parents</i> , published by the Ill. Council of School Attorneys and available at:

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	$\underline{www.iasb.com/IASB/media/Documents/FAQDivorcedor Divorcing Parents.pdf.}$
	All grades and symbols must be appropriately explained.
	Establishes an appropriate means of communication whenever he or she becomes aware that a parent/guardian is unable to understand written communications from the school or oral communications made during conferences related to his/her child's progress or school activities.
	Develops a timetable for deficiency reports.
	Supervises the various methods for communicating with parents/guardians including:
	 Parent-teacher conferences, conducted on a regular basis. They may be scheduled on different days and at different times to accommodate the various grade levels and attendance centers. Open houses, parent education meetings, and newsletters. Interim reports, through which teachers contact parents/guardians whenever teachers believe additional information should be shared. Teachers shall try to be available to meet with parents/guardians at a mutually agreed upon time.
Building Principal or designee	Makes the final decision regarding a student's retention or promotion with input from the classroom teacher, parent/guardian, and other school personnel as appropriate.
[Elementary schools only]	Retention and promotion decisions are based on quantitative measures (e.g., maturity level, ability, and level of academic achievement), supplemented by a qualitative assessment of the student's motivation, self-image, and social adjustment. Students shall not be promoted for purely social reasons.
4	Ensures placement, promotion, or retention decisions are based on the student's best interests after a careful evaluation of the advantages and disadvantages of alternatives.
	For each student who does not qualify for promotion to the next higher grade, determines appropriate remedial assistance, that may include, without limitation, a summer bridge program of no less than 90 hours, tutorial sessions, increased or concentrated instructional time, modifications to instructional materials, and retention in grade. 105 ILCS 5/10-20.9a(b).
Building	Makes a recommendation to the Superintendent regarding:
Principal or designee	1. Whether a 4.0 or a 5.0 (or another alternative) system should be used for calculating grade point average (GPA);
[Secondary schools only]	 Whether advanced placement, honors, and accelerated courses will have additional points added toward calculating GPA and class rank, i.e., weighted grades;
ошуј	 3. Which courses' grades will be used in computing GPA and class rank; 4. How to determine academic scholars, class valedictorian, salutatorian, and/or honor roll; and

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	5. Whether a pass/fail option will be offered and, if so, the guidelines for that option.
Parents/	Attend parent-teacher conferences.
Guardians	Provide a study-conducive atmosphere and supervise their child's completion of course work.
	Sign or otherwise acknowledge receipt of their child's report cards and other assessment notices and provide appropriate feedback to their child.
	Whenever a question or concern arises, leave a message at the school for the appropriate teacher or other school staff member.
	In order to object to a grade or retention/promotion decision, first confer with the appropriate teacher and, if still not satisfied, contact the Building Principal.
Building Principal or	Confers with any parent/guardian and/or student who objects to a grade or to a retention/promotion decision.
designee [All schools]	Discusses with the teacher the reason(s) why an objection was made to a grade or to a retention/promotion decision and requests the teacher's perspective.
	Determines whether to change the grade or retention/promotion decision based on the existence of any of reasons authorized in Board policy 6:280, Grading and Promotion, i.e.:
	 A miscalculation of test scores; A technical error in assigning a particular grade or score; The teacher agrees to allow the student to do extra work that may impact the grade; An inappropriate grading system used to determine the grade; or An inappropriate grade based on an appropriate grading system.
	Decides whether to change the grade or retention/promotion decision and, if so, notifies the teacher of the nature and reason for the change and signs the changed record.

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Students

<u>Administrative Procedure - Placement of Nonpublic School Students Transferring Into the District</u>

Actor	Action
Parent(s)/guardian(s) of a nonpublic school student transferring into the District	Shall perform all school admission requirements contained in School Board policy 7:50, School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools, and administrative procedure 7:50-AP, Administrative Procedure—School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools.
Building Principal or designee	Meets with parent(s)/guardian(s) to discuss appropriate placement. Inquires about the student's special interests, concerns, and goals. Administers a Student Home Language Survey. ISBE provides Sample Home Language Surveys that are available in English and twenty-nine other languages under the Home Language Surveys tab at: www.isbe.net/Pages/Screening-for-English-Language- Proficiency.aspx. Determines achievement level based on interviews, school records, achievement testing, and/or other appropriate means. Considers special circumstances, e.g., whether the student is gifted, is accelerated, has a disability, is homeless, has limited English proficiency, is part of a migrant or refugee family, has special medical needs, or has other needs. Before making a placement decision, seeks input from appropriate school personnel. Awards credits and determines placement. Course credit awarded to students transferring from a non-graded school or a school that is not recognized by the state education agency, will be given the grade of "P" for passing with no letter or numerical designation for the level of proficiency. Completes other enrollment procedures.

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Students

Administrative Procedure - Extracurricular Drug and Alcohol Testing Program

Testing Procedures

- 1. The Building Principal or designee shall, from time-to-time throughout the school year, randomly select extracurricular participants for drug and alcohol testing. Testing may occur on any day, Monday through Saturday. Names will be drawn from a pool of all student participants. Each student participant may be tested at any time during the year.
- 2. No student will be given advance notice or early warning of the testing.
- 3. Drug and/or alcohol testing may be performed by breath alcohol testing and/or urinalysis. Upon being selected for breath alcohol testing, a student must provide an adequate amount of breath so that the measuring device can measure any alcohol concentration in the breath. Upon being selected for a urinalysis test, the student shall provide a sample of "fresh" urine according to the quality control standards and policy of the laboratory conducting the urinalysis.
- 4. A staff member will accompany the student until he or she produces an adequate urine specimen. If unable to produce a specimen, the student will be given up to 24 ounces of fluid. If unable to produce a specimen within two hours, the student will be taken to the Building Principal's office and told he or she is ineligible for participation in any extracurricular activity. In addition, the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) will be telephoned and informed the student is unable to produce a sample for the testing procedure and he or she must be tested at a later date in order to be eligible.
- 5. All specimens registering below 90.5 degrees or above 99.8 degrees Fahrenheit will be invalid. The head strip on each specimen bottle indicates the validity of the urine specimen by temperature. If a specimen is invalid, the student must provide another specimen.
- 6. A student will be ineligible for all extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year if he or she tampers with or cheats during the collection. This will be reported to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).
- 7. Immediately after the specimen is taken, the student may return to class with an admit slip or pass with the time he or she left the collection site.
- 8. Each specimen is given to the laboratory for testing for alcohol, controlled substances (that may include all drugs listed as controlled substances under Illinois law), and "performance enhancing" drugs, such as steroids.

Chain of Custody

- 1. The laboratory will provide training and direction to appropriate staff members, set up the collection environment, guarantee specimens, and supervise the chain of custody. To maintain anonymity, the student will be assigned a number.
- The Building Principal or designee will escort students to the collection site. No student is allowed
 to go to his or her locker before being escorted to the collection site. The Building Principal or
 designee should minimize classroom interruptions. Student participants may be summoned after
 school, perhaps during practice time.
- 3. Before a student's urine is tested by the laboratory, he or she must sign any form that may be required by the testing laboratory. If a student chooses, he or she may notify the administrator that he or she is taking a prescription medication.

- 4. A sanitized kit containing a specimen bottle will be given to each student. The bottle will remain in the student's possession until a seal is placed upon the bottle and the student signs that the specimen is sealed. The seal may be broken only by the lab testing the specimen.
- 5. If the seal is tampered with or broken, after leaving the student's possession and prior to arriving at the lab, the specimen is invalid. The student will remain eligible for extracurricular activities subsequent to a retest.
- 6. The supervisor obtaining the urine specimen will be of the same gender as the student. Students will be instructed to remove all outerwear and wash their hands in the presence of the supervisor before entering the restroom stall. The stall door will be closed while the student provides a urine specimen. The supervisor will wait outside the restroom stall. The student will have two minutes to produce a urine specimen. The commode will contain a blue dye so the water cannot be used to dilute the sample. The faucets in the restrooms will be turnedshut off.
- 7. After it is sealed, the specimen will be transported to the testing laboratory by laboratory personnel. The testing laboratory will report the results to the Building Principal or designee.
- 8. In order to maintain confidentiality, the student's name will not be on the urine specimen container. Instead, the student's random identification number will appear on the container.

Test Results

- 1. The Building Principal or designee will be notified of a student testing "positive" (i.e., if the test shows that drug residues are in the student's system after using at least two different types of analyses). The Building Principal or designee will notify the student and his or her parent(s)/guardian(s). The student or his/or-her parent(s)/guardian(s) may submit any documented prescription or explanation of a "positive" test result.
- 2. In addition, the student or parent(s)/guardian(s) may request that the urine specimen be tested again by a certified laboratory at their cost.
- 3. If the test is verified "positive," the Building Principal or designee will meet with the student and his or her parent(s)/guardian(s). The student and parent(s)/guardian(s) will be given the names of counseling and assistance agencies. The student may not participate in extracurricular activities until a "follow-up" test is requested by the Building Principal or designee and the results are "negative."
- 4. A "follow up" test will be requested by the Building Principal or designee after such an interval of time that the substance previously found would normally be eliminated from the body. If this "follow up" test is negative, the student will be allowed to resume extracurricular activities. If a "positive" result is obtained from the "follow up" test, or any later test, the previous procedure shall be repeated. In addition, the School District reserves the right to continue testing at any time during the remaining school year any participating student who had a verified "positive" test.
- 5. Information on a verified "positive" test result will be shared on a need-to-know basis with the student's coach or sponsor. The results of "negative" tests will be kept confidential.
- 6. Drug testing result sheets will be returned to the Building Principal or designee identifying students by number and not by name. Names will not be kept in open files or on any computer. Result sheets will be locked and secured in a location to which only the Building Principal or designee has access.

Financial Responsibility

- 1. Under this policy, the District will pay for all initial random drug tests and all initial "follow up" drug tests. Once a student has a verified "positive" test result and has subsequently tested negative from a "follow up" test, any future "follow up" drug test that must be conducted will be paid for by the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).
- 2. A request for another test of a "positive" urine specimen is the financial responsibility of the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).

3. Counseling and subsequent treatment by non-school agencies is the financial responsibility of the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).

Confidentiality

Under this drug and alcohol testing program, no staff, coach, or sponsor shall divulge any information to anyone about a particular student or disposition of the student involved, other than in response to a legal subpoena.

Other Rules

Apart from this drug and alcohol testing program, the Ill. High School Association as well as each activity's coaching staff or sponsor may have their own training rules and requirements. Coaches and sponsors have the necessary authority to enforce those rules. Any student-participant who violates a team or activity rule or requirement is subject to the consequences as defined in those rules and requirements.



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Students

Administrative Procedure - Measures to Control the Spread of Head Lice at School

Actor	Action
School Nurse	Involves parent organization in the development and implementation of programs regarding prevention and treatment.
	Provides information regarding control to staff, students, and parents/guardians. Information provided to parents/guardians may include that set forth in row 2, below.
	Provides information material and/or in-service to school personnel on: 1. Confidentiality requirements 2. Identification 3. Preventing transmission in classrooms 4. Precautions against self-contamination and cross-contamination, e.g., a. Carpets should be vacuumed frequently b. Cloth-covered stuffed animals, sleeping mats, pillows, sofas, and other stuffed furniture should be discouraged
	 5. Treatment and resources for treatment 6. Readmission requirements 7. Respect for sensitivity of students and parents/guardians regarding this condition
Parent/Guardian	Assists in preventing and managing head lice outbreaks by regularly checking their children's hair and providing immediate treatment if lice are detected.
	 Check your child's hair and scalp regularly for eggs. Do not allow your child to use other children's combs, brushes, hats, etc. If you find your child does have head lice and you decide to keep him or her out of school, please follow the school's student absence procedures. Follow your family's chosen protocol for treatment of the entire family. Both over-the-counter and prescription medications are available for treatment of lice. Hats, combs, brushes, and bed linens should be cleaned thoroughly. After the medicated shampoo, you can loosen the eggs with scalp rinses of vinegar, and then slide the eggs off the hair shaft with tweezers, a special fine tooth comb, or your fingernails. Review information from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) about Prevention and Control at: www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/prevent.html and Treatment FAQ at www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/gen_info/faqs_treat.html

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Actor	Action
Staff	To prevent the spread of head lice infestations, reports all suspected cases of head lice to the school nurse or designee as soon as possible.
School Nurse	Inspects the head of any student reasonably suspected of having head lice as soon as possible.
	Checks the siblings of any student with head lice and notifies other schools where siblings attend.
	Checks any of the student's contacts for the presence of lice.
	Provides the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) with information regarding head lice treatment.
	If more than one student is affected in any class, determines whether to examine all students in the class and/or provides information about head lice to all parents/guardians of students in the class.
Building Principal	If eggs (nits) or lice are found, determines whether to exclude the student from attendance or limit the student's headtohead contact in the school building (especially in lower grades). Contacts the Board Attorney before beginning the process to exclude any student.
	Informs the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) about recommended treatment procedures and sources of further information.
Staff	Maintains the privacy of students identified as having head lice and excluded from attendance.
Parent/Guardian	Brings a note to school verifying treatment.
School Nurse	Examines any excluded student and verifies to the Building Principal that all eggs (nits) and lice are gone so that the student may return.
	Note: Delete this row and/or the re-inspection (nit-free) requirement if the administration determines the requirement is (a) unnecessary to successfully manage head lice and/or (b) results in unnecessary absences. Many nit-free requirements may unnecessarily exclude students from school. School nurses should discuss the following pros and cons of <i>No Nit Policies</i> with their Building Principals and/or Superintendents:
	Pros: A nit-free requirement simply eliminates any subjective call for school personnel as to whether the nit is dead or alive. The National Pediculosis Association recommends the <i>No Nit Policy</i> as the public health standard intended to keep children lice free, nit free, and in school, www.headlice.org/downloads/nonitpolicy.htm .
	Cons: The National Association of School Nurses takes the position that the management of head lice should not disrupt the educational process. No disease is associated with head lice, and in-school transmission is considered to be rare. Further, when transmission occurs, it is generally found among younger-age children with increased head-to-head contact:

Actor	Action
	www.nasn.org/nasn/advocacy/professional-practice-documents/position- statements/ps-head-lice.
Building Principal	Notifies parent(s)/guardian(s) whose excluded student has not returned to school within five days of the following:
	School attendance laws
	Action that may be taken if absence continues
	Resources for treatment information



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Students

<u>Administrative Procedure - Managing Students with Communicable or Infectious Diseases</u>

If a student's communicable or infectious disease affects his or her ability to participate in the District's educational programs, he or she shall be treated as a *disabled person* under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, unless the student has already qualified for and is receiving services through an IEP under the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act. For students with an IEP, the District's and Administrative procedure, 6:120-AP1, *Special Education Procedures Assuring the Implementation of Comprehensive Programming for Children with Disabilities*, must also be followed and it will control whenever there is a conflict with these procedures.

Rules and guidance from the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) and Ill. Dept. of Public Health (IDPH) should be consulted and supersede these procedures. Guidance documents and important information include:

- 1. Communicable Disease <u>School Nurse</u> Guide, revised 202302, available at https://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/infectious-diseases/cd-school-nurse-guidance.html-www.idph.state.il.us/health/infect/comm_disease_guide.pdf.
- 2. *Management of Chronic Infectious Diseases in Schoolchildren*, revised in 2003 by ISBE and IDPH, available at https://wordpress.uchospitals.edu/infectionprevention/files/2011/05/IDPH-Chronic-ID-in-schoolchildren.pdfwww.isbe.net/Documents/chronic_diseases.pdf.
- 3. The Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (20 ILCS 2310/) and the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (20 ILCS 2105/) both expanded the statutory authority of the governor and IDPH to respond to significant threats to the public health.

Managing Students with Communicable or Infectious Diseases

Actor	Action
Parents/Guardians	Notifies the Building Principal where their child is enrolled if their child has a communicable or infectious disease. See Exhibit 7:280-E2, Reporting and Exclusion Requirements for Common Communicable Diseases, for a list of communicable or infectious diseases.
Building Principal or designee	Upon having knowledge of a known or suspected case or carrier of a communicable disease: a. Notifies the <i>local health authority</i> as required by 77 Ill.Admin.Code §690.200. The <i>local health authority</i> is a full-time official health department, as recognized by IDPH, having jurisdiction over a particular area, including city, village, township, and county boards of health. If there is not a local health authority recognized by IDPH, the local health authority is IDPH. 77 Ill.Admin.Code §690.10. See also Exhibit 7:280-E2, <i>Reporting and Exclusion Requirements for Common Communicable Diseases</i> , identifying the diseases for which there is mandatory reporting. Note: The Communicable Disease Report Act, 745 ILCS 45/,

Actor	Action
	grants immunity from slander or libel to persons who in good faith make such reports. b. Follows directions for temporarily excluding a student from school according to the local health authority direction and 77 Ill.Admin.Code Part 690. Keeps the school open where a student with a communicable disease attends, except in the event of an emergency. 77 Ill.Admin.Code §690.30(c)(1).
District staff	Observes all rules of IDPH regarding communicable and chronic infectious disease. See the Legal References below for a list of these rules.
	Collects and maintains the student's medical information in a manner that ensures the strictest confidentiality and in accordance with federal and State laws regarding student records. Consult with the Board Attorney to ensure compliance with such laws. 1 77 Ill. Admin. Code 690.30(c)(5).
Superintendent or	Confirms that all required and appropriate notices are made. ²
designee	Convenes the Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease Review Team. This Superintendent committee is composed of the District's medical advisor, a school nurse, the Building Principal, and the Superintendent or designee (see <u>administrative procedure</u> 2:150-AP, Superintendent Committees).
Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease Review Team	Arranges a meeting with the student's parent(s)/guardian(s), personal physician, local health authorities, as well as persons with knowledge of the placement options available. The purpose of the meeting is to: a. Determine when an excluded student will return to school. This determination shall be based on whether the student poses a high risk of transmission of a communicable and chronic infectious disease to other students and staff. A student suspected of being infected with a notifiable disease for which isolation is required shall be refused admittance until fever-free and diarrhea and vomiting-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing, antidiarrheal, or antiemetic medications and other medicationswhile acute symptoms are present. 77 Ill.Admin.Code §690.30(c)(2). b. Perform a pre-placement evaluation. 34 C.F.R. §104.35. c. Make a placement decision based on the pre-placement evaluation. The placement decision shall include any needed related services. 34 C.F.R. §104.35.

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¹ IDPH regulations provide that, "Identifiable information on a student or staff [member], such as name and contact information (including current address and phone), seating charts on [buses] and in the classroom, and rosters for extracurricular activities, shall be reported to the Department or local public health authority for any notifiable disease or condition within the timeframes specified in this Part." 77 Ill.Admin.Code §690.30(c)(5). Consult with the board attorney to ensure that any reports required by this provision to IDPH or the local public health authority comply with federal and State laws regarding student records.

² The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) makes sample letters to parents available for certain infectious diseases, such as measles and pertussis, on its website at www.cdc.gov.

Actor	Action
	d. If there is a reason to believe that the student may have a disability requiring special education and related services, the child shall be referred for a special education evaluation. Referrals may also be made, at any time, by any concerned person, including but not limited to District personnel, the student's parent(s)/guardian(s), a community service agency employee, a professional having knowledge of a child's problems, a child, or an ISBE employee. See the District's <i>Special Education Procedures Assuring the Implementation of Comprehensive Programming for Children with Disabilities</i> . 3 23 Ill.Admin.Code §226.110. Reports the meeting results to the Superintendent.
Superintendent or designee	Notifies the student's parents/guardians when an excluded student can return to school and of the placement decision. If the student will not attend school, every reasonable effort shall be made to provide the student with an adequate alternative education. State regulations and school policy regarding homebound instruction shall apply.
Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease Review Team	At least annually while a student has a contagious or infectious disease, arranges a meeting with the student's parent(s)/guardian(s), personal physician, local health authorities, as well as persons with knowledge of the placement options available, to review the student's education placement and the provision of related services.

Managing a Student with a Communicable or Infectious Disease Who Demonstrates Behavior that Could Result In Infecting Other Students or Staff Members

Actor	Action
Parents/Guardians or any staff member	Notifies the Building Principal if a student with a communicable or infectious disease shows a lack of control of bodily secretions, has open sores that cannot be covered, or demonstrates behavior (e.g., biting) that could result in direct inoculation of potentially infected body fluids into the bloodstream.
Building Principal	Immediately notifies the Superintendent of the above.
Superintendent or designee	Upon being notified that a student is demonstrating behavior that could spread his or her disease, convenes the Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease Review Team.
	If appropriate, notifies parents of students of possible exposure if their student may have been exposed to a communicable or infectious disease due to behaviors exhibited by a student having such a disease.

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³ Sample Special Education Procedures Assuring the Implementation of Comprehensive Programming for Children with Disabilities are available at: www.iasb.com/law/icsaspeced.cfm.

Actor	Action
Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease Review Team	Arranges a meeting with the student's parent(s)/guardian(s), personal physician, local health authorities, as well as persons with knowledge of the placement options available. The purpose of this meeting is to: a. Determine whether the student's temporary removal from the classroom is appropriate because the student poses a high risk of transmitting a communicable and chronic infectious disease or whether another response exists to reduce the risk of transmission. A student suspected of being infected with a notifiable disease for which isolation is required shall be refused admittance until fever-free and diarrhea and vomiting-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing, antidiarrheal, or antiemetic medications and other medications, while acute symptoms are present 77 Ill.Admin.Code §690.30(c)(2). b. Perform a pre-placement evaluation if the student will continue to attend school. 34 C.F.R. §104.35. c. Make a placement decision based on the pre-placement evaluation. The placement decision shall include any needed related services. 34 C.F.R. §104.35. If the student will continue to attend school, determine the student's appropriate educational placement. The team shall also determine if the student needs related services or placement outside the regular classroom. Reports the meeting's results to the Superintendent.
Superintendent or Designee	Notifies the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) whether the student will attend school. If the student will not attend school or participate in school activities with other students, every reasonable effort shall be made to provide the student with an adequate alternative education; however, an individual student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) will control. State regulations and school policy regarding homebound instruction apply.
Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease Review Team	At least once a month while a student is removed from normal school attendance, arranges a meeting with the student's parent(s)/guardian(s), personal physician, local health authorities, as well as persons with knowledge of the placement options available, to review the removal and to determine whether the condition precipitating the removal has changed.

General Post-Evaluation Procedures

Actor	Action
Parents/Guardians	May appeal their child's exclusion from school or educational placement to the School Board within 10 days of being notified of the action.
Parents/Guardians	When their child returns to school after an absence due to a communicable and chronic infectious disease, present a certificate from a physician licensed in Illinois stating that the child qualifies for re-admission to school under the rules of IDPH that regulate periods of incubation, communicability, quarantine, and reporting.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-21.11.20 U.S.C. §1232g, Family Educational Rights and Privacy

Act.

29 U.S.C. §701 et seq., Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

42 U.S.C. §12101 et seq., Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

34 C.F.R. §§104.34 and 104.35.

105 ILCS 5/10-21.11.

410 ILCS 315/, Communicable Disease Prevention Act.

23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 226.

77 Ill.Admin.Code Parts 665, 690, 693, 695, 696, and 697.

CROSS REF.: 2:150 (Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease)

ADMIN PROC.: 2:150-AP (Superintendent Committees), 4:180-AP1 (School Action Steps for

Pandemic Influenza or Other Virus/Disease



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Community Relations

<u>Administrative Procedure - Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided</u> by Non-School Related Entities

Requests from Community, Educational, Charitable, Recreational, or Other Organizations

Actor	Action	
Community, Educational, Charitable, Recreational, or	Direct to the Building Principal all requests to advertise events pertinent to students' interests or involvement.	
Other Organizations	Specifically describe the material or content proposed to be displayed, distributed, included in the school's website, and/or included on District-issued electronic learning devices.	
	Request specific dates for the material to be displayed or distributed.	
Building Principal	Refers all materials to the Superintendent or designee for screening to ensure compliance with the District's policy and procedures. ¹	
Superintendent or designee	Screens all material before distributing or posting it to ensure compliance with the District's policy and procedures, including that all material and content be student-oriented, have the sponsoring organization's name prominently displayed, and clearly state that the organization is not affiliated with the District.	
	Rejects all requests to post or distribute material or content that would: (a) disrupt the educational process, (b) violate the rights or invade the privacy of others, (c) infringe on a trademark or copyright, or (d) be defamatory, obscene, vulgar, or indecent. ² Determines the appropriate location for the content, provided that any distribution by staff is done without discussion. Informs the organization whether its request is accepted or	
	rejected. Removes all materials and/or content that are out-of-date from the building, website, and/or District-issued learning devices.	

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¹ An administrator in the central office enhances coordination and ensures that all buildings in the district are operating uniformly. For districts that wish to leave the screening of materials to building principals, replace: "Superintendent or designee" in the next row with "Building Principal" and delete this row.

² Consult the Board Attorney. Allowing one organization to distribute non-religious materials at school, but prohibiting the distribution of religious materials by another, may negate indemnification for school administrators and the district. See Morgan v. Swanson, 755 F.3d 757 (5th Cir. 2014) (granting, after several years of reversals, remands, and procedural motions, qualified immunity to an elementary school principal who allowed parents to distribute non-religious materials but prohibited another parent from distributing religious materials during an in-class winter party).

Community, Educational, Charitable, Recreational, or Other Organizations	Deliver the material or content to the school. The school will not make copies. Provide in electronic format any information that the Building Principal agreed to publish on the school's website or District-
	issued learning devices.

Requests from Commercial Companies to Advertise and/or Distribute Material

Actor	Action	
Commercial Companies	Direct to the Superintendent all requests to advertise on school grounds, in school publications, or on District-issued learning devices.	
	Specifically identify the requested location for advertisements, i.e.: (a) athletic field fences, (b) athletic, theater, or music programs, (c) student newspapers or yearbooks, (d) scoreboards, and/or (e) other appropriate locations. 3	
	Prominently display the company's name on all advertising.	
	Provide a copy of the proposed advertisement to the Superintendent.	
Superintendent	Screens all proposed ads to ensure that they follow Board policy 8:25, Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities, and will not: (a) disrupt the educational process, (b) violate the rights or invade the privacy of others, (c) infringe on a trademark or copyright, or (d) be defamatory, obscene, vulgar, or indecent.	
	May approve a commercial request related to graduation, class pictures, or class rings.	
	For all other commercial requests, makes a dispositional recommendation during an open School Board meeting.	
	After the Board's decision, takes all appropriate steps.	

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³ The Student Online Personal Protection Act (SOPPA) (105 ILCS 85/, added by P.A. 100 315) provides safeguards to protect the privacy and security of data about students when it is collected by educational technology companies. It specifically prohibits *targeted advertising* (presenting advertisements to students where they are selected based on information obtained or inferred over time from that students' online behaviors, usage of applications, or *covered information* (as defined by SOPPA)). For more discussion about SOPPA, see f/n 5 in <u>sample</u> policy 8:25, *Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities*.

Actor	Action	
School Board	From time-to-time, by Board resolution, determines minimum fees for advertising space. All fees are subject to negotiation and Board approval. Current minimum fees are:	
	Athletic field fences	\$
	Athletic, theater, or music program	s \$
	Student newspapers or yearbooks	\$
	Scoreboards	\$
	Other appropriate locations	\$

