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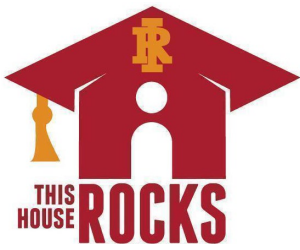
To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education
From: Dr. Sharon Williams
Date: May 12, 2026
Re: PRESS Policy First Reading - Issue 121

The Board of Education reviews policies in two readings: the first to discuss the policies and make changes as necessary, and the second to finalize any changes and adopt new policies. The following policies are presented for the Board’s first reading. The policies have been modified due to changes in the law, legal references, and a review to ensure policies are up to date. The PRESS documentation is attached for this agenda item.

Several updates incorporate compliance with changes to the Freedom of Information Act and the Open Meetings Act, including clarifications to public records requests, exclusions of junk mail from public records, and restrictions on holding meetings on election days. Additional revisions reflect new or amended state and federal requirements, such as employee leave provisions, student protections, and parent notification requirements.

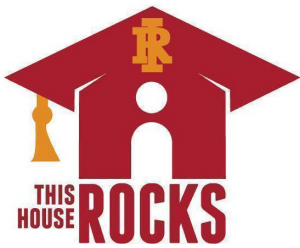
Most revisions are driven by statutory updates (including renumbering of Illinois School Code citations), required five-year reviews, and ongoing continuous improvement efforts.

Policy	Revision Descriptions
2:140-E, Guidance for Board Member Communications, Including Email Use	The exhibit is updated in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/2, amended by P.A. 104-438, excluding junk mail from the definition of public record, and for continuous improvement.
2:150-AP, Superintendent Committees	The procedure is updated in response: 1. 23 Ill. Admin. Code §228.30, amended by 49 Ill. Reg. 9475, addressing requirements for the transitional bilingual education parent advisory committee; 2. The renaming of 6:170-AP1, E1, District-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan Compact; and 3. Continuous improvement.



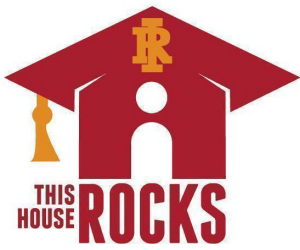
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2:200, Types of School Board Meetings	The policy, Cross References, and footnotes are updated. The policy is updated with minor style changes. The footnotes are updated in response to the Open Meetings Act (OMA), 5 ILCS 120/2.07(a), added by P.A. 104-438, prohibiting public bodies from holding regular or special meetings on an election day, and for continuous improvement. An option regarding the posting location for special meetings is added to footnote 19. A minor title correction is made to 2:210, Organizational School Board Meetings, in the Cross References.
2:200-AP, Types of School Board Meetings	The procedure is updated to align with the option added to footnote 19 in 2:200, Types of School Board Meetings.
2:220, School Board Meeting Procedure	The policy, Cross References, and footnotes are updated. The policy and footnotes are updated in response to OMA, 5 ILCS 120/7(a), adding performance of active military duty as a service member as a reason a board member may attend a meeting remotely, and for continuous improvement. A Cross Reference to 2:110, Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers, is added.
2:250, Access to District Public Records	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated. The policy and footnotes are updated in response to: 1. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/3, amended by P.A. 104-438, requiring requests for public records be made in the body of an e-mail, and permitting public bodies to ask a requester to verify that they are a person; 2. FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/2, amended by P.A 104-438, revising the definition of public record to exclude junk mail; and 3. Continuous improvement.
	The Legal References are updated for continuous improvement.



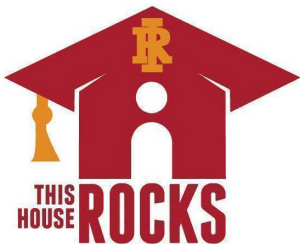
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2:250-AP1, Access to and Copying of District Public Records	The procedure is updated for the reasons stated in 2:250, Access to District Public Records, above, and in response to FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/4, eliminating the requirement for a district with a website to also post a description of itself and how to request its public records at its offices.
2:250-AP2, Protocols for Record Preservation and Development of Retention Schedules	The procedure is updated in response to Local Records Act, 50 ILCS 205/3, amended by P.A. 104-438, revising the definition of public record to exclude junk mail, and for continuous improvement.
2:250-E2, Immediately Available District Public Records and Web-Posted Reports and Records	The exhibit is updated in response to: 1. FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/4, amended by P.A. 104-438, eliminating the requirement for a district with a website to also post a description of itself and how to request its public records at its offices; 2. ISBE's Understanding Type I Diabetes for Parents and Guardians; and 3. Continuous improvement.
2:260, Uniform Grievance Procedure	The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/22- 110, renumbered by P.A. 104-391, and for continuous improvement.
2:265, Title IX Grievance Procedure	The policy is unchanged. The footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-215(a)(4) and 5/27-240, both renumbered by P.A. 104-391.
4:40, Incurring Debt	The policy is unchanged. The footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/19-1(p-235), renumbered by P.A. 104-417, and 105 ILCS 5/20-2, amended by P.A. 103-591, authorizing an increase of up to 3% of a bond issue to cover certain bond-related expenses.
4:140-E4, Resolution to Increase Driver Education Fees	The exhibit is updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-815, titled safety education; driver education course, (formerly 105 ILCS 5/27-24.2), renumbered by P.A. 104-391, and for continuous improvement.



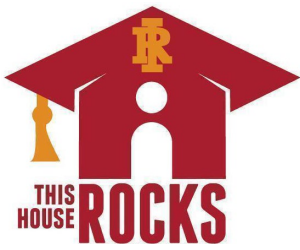
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4:165, Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated in response to the repeal of 105 ILCS 5/27-13.2, by P.A. 104-391, which formerly required districts to give parents/guardians of students in grades K-8 prior written notice of sexual abuse prevention instruction. The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-215 and 5/27-1015, both renumbered by P.A. 104-391. The policy and footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement.
4:170-AP6, E2, Notification to Staff and Parents/Guardians of CPR and AED Video	The exhibit is updated with a new Ill. High School Association (IHSA) web address.
5:30, Hiring Process and Criteria	The policy and footnotes are updated for continuous improvement. The footnotes are also updated in response to 820 ILCS 55/13-25, added by P.A. 104-455, prohibiting employers from taking adverse action against an employee based only on the receipt of a notice of discrepancy (a no-match letter).
5:30-AP1, Interview Questions	The procedure is updated in response to a five-year review.
5:30-AP2, Investigations	The procedure is updated in response to 820 ILCS 55/13-25, added by P.A. 104-455, prohibiting employers from taking adverse action against an employee based only on the receipt of a notice of discrepancy (a no-match letter), and for continuous improvement.
5:30-AP2, E1, Notice of Preliminary Hiring Decision Based on Conviction Record	The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.
5:30-AP2, E2, Notice of Final Hiring Decision Based on Conviction Record	The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.



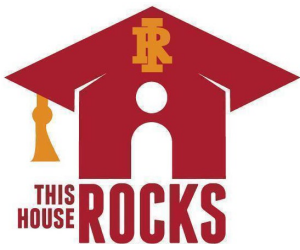
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5:50, Drug- and Alcohol- Free Workplace; E-Cigarette, Tobacco, and Cannabis Prohibition	<p>The policy and footnotes are updated for continuous improvement. The footnotes are also updated in response to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. P.A. 104-391, renumbering and repealing citations in 105 ILCS 5/27; and 2. 105 ILCS 5/22-81 (a/k/a Louie’s Law), added by P.A. 103-399, requiring ISBE and the Ill. Dept. of Human Services to develop and regularly update a comprehensive Substance Use Prevention and Recovery Instruction Resource Guide for public elementary and secondary schools across the State of Illinois.
5:90-AP1, Coordination with Children’s Advocacy Center	The procedure is updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-240, renumbered by P.A. 104-391, and for continuous improvement.
5:190-E1, Notice to Parents of Their Right to Request Their Child’s Classroom Teachers’ Qualifications	The exhibit is unchanged in response to a five-year review.
5:250, Leaves of Absence	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated in response to the Family Neonatal Intensive Care Leave Act, 820 ILCS 157/, added by P.A. 104- 259, eff. 6-1-26, allowing employees to take a specified amount of unpaid leave if their child is a patient in a neonatal intensive care unit. The policy and footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement.
5:330, Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated for the reasons stated in 5:250, Leaves of Absence, above.
6:20-AP, Remote and/or Blended Remote Learning Day Plan(s)	The procedure is updated in response to P.A. 104-391, renumbering citations throughout 105 ILCS 5/27, and for continuous improvement.



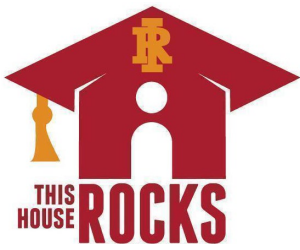
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6:50, School Wellness	<p>The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated. The policy and Legal References are updated with minor style changes. The footnotes are updated in response to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 105 ILCS 5/27-215 and 5/27-235, added by P.A. 104-391, replacing, in part, 105 ILCS 110/3 and 110/3.5; 2. P.A. 104-391, renumbering and reorganizing various provisions throughout 105 ILCS 5/27; 3. Farm Fresh Schools Program Act, 105 ILCS 24/, and State Finance Act, 30 ILCS 105/5.728, both repealed by P.A. 104-435, eliminating the Farm Fresh Schools Program and its related funding; and 4. Continuous improvement.
6:65, Student Social and Emotional Development	<p>The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated for continuous improvement. The footnotes are also updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27- 1080, renumbered by P.A. 104-391.</p>
6:100, Using Animals in the Educational Program	<p>The Legal References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-265, renumbered by P.A. 104-391, and for continuous improvement.</p>
6:100-AP, Dissection of Animals	<p>The procedure is updated in response to a five-year review.</p>
6:100-E1, Guidelines and Application for Using Animals in School Facilities for Educational Purposes	<p>The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.</p>
6:100-E2, Student Permission for Exposure to Animals	<p>The exhibit is unchanged in response to a five-year review.</p>



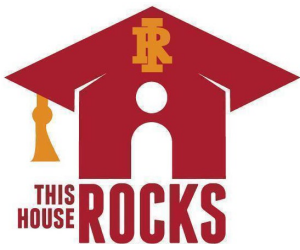
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6:145, Migrant Students	The policy, Cross References, and footnotes are updated in response to a five- year review. The footnotes are also updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/22-105 (final citation pending), added by P.A. 104-288, requiring schools to protect the integrity of school learning environments for all children so that no parent is discouraged from sending and no child is discouraged from attending school, including from the threat of immigration enforcement on a school campus.
6:170, Title I Programs	The policy, Legal References, Cross References, and footnotes are updated. The policy and footnotes are updated to more closely align with federal statutes and guidance and terminology used by ISBE, and to ensure compatibility with the U.S. Dept. of Education’s revised non-regulatory guidance. The Legal References and Cross References are updated for continuous improvement.
6:170-AP1, Checklist for Development, Implementation, and Maintenance of Parent and Family Engagement Compacts for Title I Programs	The procedure is updated to ensure compatibility with the U.S. Dept. of Education’s revised non-regulatory guidance and for continuous improvement.
6:170-AP1, E1, District-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan Compact	RENAMED. The exhibit is renamed and updated to more closely align with federal statutes and guidance and terminology used by ISBE, and to ensure compatibility with the U.S. Dept. of Education’s revised non-regulatory guidance.
6:170-AP1, E2, School-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan Compact	RENAMED. The exhibit is renamed and updated for the reasons stated in 6:170- AP1, E1, District-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan, above.



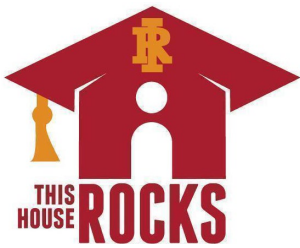
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6:170-AP2, Notice to Parents Required by Elementary and Secondary Education, McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance, and Protection of Pupil Rights Laws	REFORMATTED. The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.
6:180, Extended Instructional Programs	<p>The policy, Legal References and footnotes are updated. The policy is updated with minor style changes. The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 105 ILCS 5/27-255, added by P.A. 104-391, replacing, in part, 105 ILCS 110/3; 2. P.A. 104-391, renumbering and reorganizing various provisions throughout 105 ILCS 5/27. <p>The footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement.</p>
6:235-AP1, E1, Student Authorization for Access to the District's Electronic Networks	The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.
6:235-AP1, E2, Staff Authorization for Access to the District's Electronic Networks	The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.
6:235-AP2, Web Publishing Guidelines	The procedure is updated in response to a five-year review.
6:235-E3, Online Privacy Statement	The exhibit is updated in response to a five-year review.
7:20, Harassment of Students Prohibited	The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/22- 110, renumbered by P.A. 104-391. The footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement.



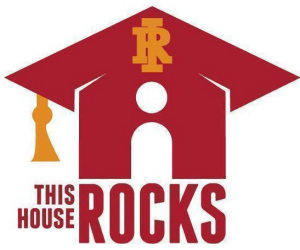
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<p>7:50, School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools</p>	<p>The policy, Legal References, Cross References, and footnotes are updated. The policy is updated with minor style changes. The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 105 ILCS 5/22-105 (final citation pending), added by P.A. 104-288, prohibiting the denial of a free public education to every child in Illinois; and 2. 105 ILCS 5/22-105, titled Health examinations and immunizations (formerly 105 ILCS 5/27-8.1), renumbered by P.A. 104-391. <p>The footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement. 7:150, Agency and Law Enforcement Requests, is added to the Cross References.</p>
<p>7:100, Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students</p>	<p>The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/22- 105, titled Health examinations and immunizations (formerly 105 ILCS 5/27-8.1), renumbered by P.A. 104-391. The footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement.</p>
<p>7:185, Teen Dating Violence Prohibited</p>	<p>The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated. The policy and footnotes are updated for continuous improvement. The Legal References and footnotes are also updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-240, renumbered by P.A. 104-391.</p>
<p>7:190-E2, Student Handbook Checklist</p>	<p>The exhibit is updated in response to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 105 ILCS 5/27-13.2, repealed by P.A. 104-391, resulting in the renaming of 6:60-AP1, E1, Requests to Examine Materials and Statutory Opt-outs; 2. 775 ILCS 5/1-103(Q), added by P.A. 103-785, adding reproductive health decisions to the list of prohibited bases of discrimination; <p>3. 105 ILCS 5/22-87(b), amended by P.A. 104-13, requiring notice to students in grade 12 of the Free</p>



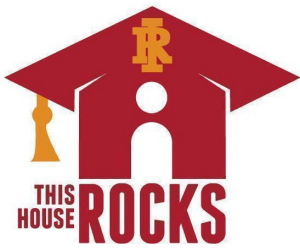
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	<p>Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) designee available to answer questions;</p> <p>4. 105 ILCS 5/10-19.05, added by P.A. 104-250, requiring publicly posted attendance policies to include the career development experiences that may count toward the calculation of clock hours of schoolwork;</p> <p>5. 105 ILCS 5/10-20.5a(b-5), added by P.A. 104-15, requiring notice to students and parents/guardians, at the time of school registration or at other appropriate times prior to the end of a student’s junior year, of the student’s right to have direct admission information sent to the Ill. Student Assistance Commission and other approved entities under the Public University Direct Admission Program Act;</p> <p>6. 105 ILCS 5/26A-20(d), 26A-40(h), added by P.A. 102-466, a/k/a Ensuring Success in School Law, requiring notice of revised policies to respond to students who are parents, expectant parents, or victims of domestic or sexual violence, including also providing notice annually to all school personnel and students 12 years of age and older of the availability of counseling without parent/guardian consent;</p> <p>7. The renaming of 6:170-AP1, E1, District-Level Parent and Family Engagement Plan Compact; and</p> <p>8. Continuous improvement.</p>
7:220, Bus Conduct	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated in response to a five- year review. The Legal References are updated with minor style changes.
7:230, Misconduct by Students with Disabilities	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated in response to a five- year review. The Legal References are updated with a minor style change.



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7:240, Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities	The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27- 255(d), renumbered by P.A. 104-391, and for continuous improvement.
7:240-AP2, E1, Consent to Participate in Extracurricular Drug and Alcohol Testing Program	The exhibit is updated with a new IHSA web address, and for continuous improvement.
7:260, Exemption from Physical Education	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated in response to a five-year review. The policy is updated with minor style changes. The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/27-710, renumbered by P.A. 104-391. The footnotes are also updated for continuous improvement.
7:280, Communicable and Chronic Infectious Diseases	The Legal References and footnotes are updated in response to a five-year review. The Legal References are updated with a minor style change.
7:285-AP, Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program	The procedure is updated in response to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 105 ILCS 5/2-3.190, amended by P.A. 104-391, reflecting the repeal of the Critical Health Programs and Comprehensive Health Education Act; 2. 105 ILCS 5/22-110, titled bullying prevention (formerly 105 ILCS 5/27-23.7), renumbered by P.A. 104-391; and 3. Continuous improvement.
7:300, Extracurricular Athletics	The policy, Legal References, and footnotes are updated for continuous improvement. The footnotes are also updated in response to an IHSA website update.
7:300-E2, Certificate of Physical Fitness for Participation in Athletics	The exhibit is updated for the reasons stated in 7:300, Extracurricular Athletics, above.



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7:305-AP, Program for Managing Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries	The procedure is updated for the reasons stated in 7:300, Extracurricular Athletics, above.
7:340-AP1, School Student Records	The procedure is updated in response to: 1. 105 ILCS 5/10-20.5a, amended by P.A. 104-15, adding student birth dates to the types of directory information that districts must share with military recruiters, public institutions of higher education, and the Ill. Student Assistance Commission, through a centralized data system; 2. 105 ILCS 5/27-605, renumbered by P.A. 104-391, addressing State graduation requirements; and 3. Continuous improvement.
7:340-AP1, E1, Notice to Parents/Guardians and Students of Their Rights Concerning a Student’s School Records	The exhibit is updated for the reasons stated in 7:340-AP1, School Student Records, above.
7:340-AP1, E3, Letter to Parents and Eligible Students Concerning Military Recruiters and Postsecondary Institutions Receiving Student Directory Information	The exhibit is updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/10-20.5a, amended by P.A. 104-15, adding student birth dates to the types of directory information that districts must share with military recruiters, public institutions of higher education, and the Ill. Student Assistance Commission, through a centralized data system, and for continuous improvement.
7:340-AP1, E4, Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Military Recruiter Access to Students and Student Information	The exhibit is updated for the reasons stated in 7:340-AP1, E3, Letter to Parents and Eligible Students Concerning Military Recruiters and Postsecondary Institutions Receiving Student Directory Information, above.
8:90, Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs	The policy and footnotes are updated in response to a five-year review.