

Local Policy Update 126

BE - Board Meetings

Must meet outside of typical work hours.

Notice changes from 72 hours to three business days.

Voting must be a record vote.

Deadline in submitting items for the board agenda is the 10th calendar day prior to meeting.

BED – Board Meetings

Public comment shall occur at the beginning of board meetings.

CJ – Contracted Services

Prohibition of DEI practices for contractors in employment and instruction. Violation of this policy shall result in termination of the contract. Contractors may appeal this decision.

CJA – Background Checks and Required Reporting

Heading change to better describe content of the subtopic. Heading used to be “Criminal History”.

CLE – Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment Management Required Displays

Title change replaces “Flag” with “Required”.

CQB – Cybersecurity

Changes include details of required notifications in the event of a cybersecurity incident.

Texas Cyber Command is now in charge of training.

CQD – Technology Resources; Artificial Intelligence

CQD is a new policy in which the board delegates to the superintendent the authority to establish training with regards to AI. This policy also establishes appropriate use of AI within the district.

CSA – Facility Standards; Safety and Security

The superintendent is required to designate private spaces in accordance with the law.

CV – Facilities Construction

A specific dollar figure is replaced with “competitive purchasing threshold” in relation to construction contracts.

DBD – Employment Requirements and Restrictions; Conflict Of Interest

An administrator is required to seek board approval in order to receive financial benefit for providing personal services. A superintendent or asst. superintendent may not receive a financial benefit for personal services.

DEC – Compensation and Benefits; Leaves and Absences

A statement is added regarding calculation of daily rate of pay. An employee may choose not to use not to use paid leave concurrently with FMLA leave relating to a pregnancy or adoption.

DFBB – Term Contracts; Nonrenewal

Two new reasons for nonrenewal are added to DFBB

DGBA – Personnel-Management Relations; Employee Complaints/Grievances

DGBA contains significant wording changes in the employee grievance process.

DH – Employee Standards of Conduct

Prohibits classroom instruction or activities that are prohibited by law.
Prohibits DEI activities.
Prohibits assistance with social transitioning.

EEP – Instructional Arrangements; Lesson Plans

New code that requires teachers to provide their instructional plan for each course to district administration for the plan to be available for review by parents.

EFA – Instructional Resources; Instructional Materials

The superintendent shall establish administrative regulations for parent review of instructional materials.

EHBAF – Special Education; Video/Audio Monitoring

Replaces the term “self-contained” classroom with “special education” classroom.

EIA – Academic Achievement; Grading/Progress Reports to Parents

Each year the district shall provide at least two opportunities for in-person conferences with parents and the student’s teacher.
Use of AI is added as potential academic dishonesty.

FA – Parents Rights and Responsibilities

The district must establish a parent portal for submission of comments to the Administration and the Board.

FEF – Attendance; Released Time

FEF establishes local guidance regarding students taking a “released time” course in religious instruction.

FFAC – Wellness and Health Services; Medical Treatment

Change of wording for non-prescription medication provided by a parent to “in accordance with legal requirements”.

FFB – Student Welfare; Crisis Intervention

Provisions requiring immediate notification to teachers involved in a threat are added.

FFF – Student Welfare; Student Safety

Service Provider is added to district employee regarding alleged misconduct.

FFG – Student Welfare; Child Abuse and Neglect

Reporting timeline changes from 48 hours to 24 hours.

FNG – Student Rights and Responsibilities; Student and Parent Complaints/Grievances

FNG revisions include changes in timelines, hearings, and significant wording changes.

Districts must also ensure that policy and forms are easily accessible on the district website.

FO – Student Discipline

The district must post signs indicating when video/audio monitoring is in use.

GF – Public Complaints

Guidance and timelines have been added for filing public complaints.

GKA – Community Relations; Conduct on School Premises

Weapons exception is extended to those with a handgun license in accordance with state law. (Not limited to a Texas license).

DOI exceptions no longer permitted for anything involving Chapter 37 (student discipline).