

Board/Staff Communications

Every reasonable means of communication is encouraged throughout the education community. Nevertheless, an organization must maintain some order and structure to promote efficient and effective communications.

Staff Communications to the Board

All official communications or reports to the Board from principals, supervisors, teachers, or other staff members shall be submitted through the Superintendent. This shall not deny any staff member's right to appeal to the Board from administrative decisions, provided that the Superintendent shall have been notified of the forthcoming appeal and that it is processed according to the applicable procedures for complaints and grievances.

Board Communications to Staff

All official communications, policies and directives of staff interest and concern will be communicated to staff members through the Superintendent. The Superintendent will employ all such media as are appropriate to keep staff fully informed of the Board's concerns and actions.

Visits to Schools

Trustees should make a point to visit each school of the District not less than once each school year to examine its condition and needs. Individual Board Members interested in visiting schools should, out of courtesy, make arrangements for visitations through the principals of the various schools. Such visits shall be regarded as informal expressions of interest in school affairs and not as "inspections" or visits for supervisory or administrative purposes.

Social Interaction

Staff and Board Members share a keen interest in the schools and education. When they meet at social affairs and other functions, informal discussion on such matters as educational trends, issues and innovations, and general District problems can be anticipated.

Board Participation in Activities

Members of the Board, collectively and individually, are encouraged to attend school activities, social functions, and instructional programs at no cost to the Trustees in order to view and observe such functions in operation. Attendance at such programs as musical presentations, speech activities, clubs, dramatic productions, and athletic events indicates interest in school affairs and provides opportunity for more comprehensive understanding of the total school program. Administration will provide appropriate communications to Trustees to keep them informed about activities they may wish to attend.

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