

BOARD MEMBER CONDUCT

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for board member conduct as individuals and while sitting as a board.

Public office is a trust created by the confidence in which the public places the integrity of its public officers. To preserve this confidence, it is the desire of the board to operate under the highest ethical standards.

It is the responsibility of each board member to do the following.

- Become familiar with center policies, rules and regulations, state and federal school laws and regulations of the state department of education.
- Have a general knowledge of educational aims and objectives of the center.
- Work harmoniously with other board members without trying either to dominate the board or neglect one's share of the work.
- Vote and act in the board meetings impartially for the good of the center.
- Accept the will of the majority vote in all cases and give wholehearted support to the resulting policy.
- Represent the board and the center to the public in such a way as to promote both interest and support.
- Refer complaints to the proper school authorities and abstain from individual counsel and action.

(Cf. BCA, BCB)

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