ATTACHMENT NO. IX-C: First Reading and Approval of Policies

Suggested Motion: Move to approve Board Policies as presented.

Recommended Action: Approve the motion.

On December 10, 2012, the Policy Committee reviewed the following policies to be amended pursuant to IASB PRESS recommendations and existing policies modified pursuant to administrative recommendation:

2:20Powers and Duties of the School Board
2:30 School District Elections
2:110 Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers
2:125Board Member Expenses
2:200Types of School Board Meetings
2:220 School Board Meeting Procedure
4:60Purchases and Contracts
4:100 Insurance Management
4:110 Transportation
5:30 Hiring Process and Criteria
5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves
6:65 Student Social and Emotional Development
6:110 Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program
6:210 Instructional Materials
6:270 Guidance and Counseling Program
7:100Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students

Board Policy 2:240 states that when policies are changed/adopted to comply with state law or regulation, two readings are not required. The above policies were changed/adopted to comply with state law or regulation; therefore, it is recommended that the Board give final approval to the above policies.

School Board

Powers and Duties of the School Board

The major powers and duties of the School Board include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Formulating, adopting, and modifying District policies, at its sole discretion, subject only to mandatory collective bargaining agreements and State and federal law.
- 2. Employing a superintendent and other personnel, making employment decisions, dismissing personnel, and establishing an equal employment opportunity policy that prohibits unlawful discrimination.
- 3. Directing, through policy, the Superintendent, in his or her charge of the District's administration.
- 4. Approving the annual budget, tax levies, major expenditures, payment of obligations, annual audit, and other aspects of the District's financial operation; and making available a statement of financial affairs as provided in state law.
- 5. Entering contracts using the public bidding procedure when required.
- 6. Indemnifying, protecting, and insuring against any loss or liability of the School District, Board members, employees, and agents as provided or authorized by state law.
- 7. Providing, constructing, controlling, and maintaining adequate physical facilities; making school buildings available for use as civil defense shelters; and establishing a resource conservation policy.
- 8. Establishing an equal educational opportunities policy that prohibits unlawful discrimination.
- 9. Approving the curriculum, textbooks, and educational services.
- 10. Evaluating the educational program and approving School Improvement and District Improvement Plans.
- 11. Submitting Presenting the District report card and School report card(s) to parents/guardians, District taxpayers, the governor, and the General Assembly, and the State Board of Education a school report card assessing the community; these documents report District, School and student performance of its schools and students.
- 12. Establishing and supporting student discipline policies designed to maintain an environment conducive to learning, including deciding individual student suspension or expulsion cases brought before it.
- 13. Establishing attendance units within the District and assigning students to the schools.
- 14. Establishing the school year.
- 15. Requiring a moment of silence to recognize veterans during any type of school event held at a District school on November 11.
- 16. Providing student transportation services.
- 17. Entering into joint agreements with other school boards to establish cooperative educational programs or provide educational facilities.
- 18. Complying with requirements in the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act, Specifically, each individual School Board member must, if an allegation is raised to the member during an open or closed School Board meeting that a student is an abused child as defined in the Act, direct or cause the School Board to direct the Superintendent or other equivalent school administrator to comply with the Act's requirements concerning the reporting of child abuse.
- 19. Communicating the schools' activities and operations to the community and representing the needs and desires of the community in educational matters.

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LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.25d, 5/10-1 et seq., 5/17-1, and 5/27-1.

115 ILCS 5/1 <u>et seq</u>. 325 ILCS 5/4.

CROSS REF.:

1:10 (School District Legal Status), 1:20 (District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements), 2:10 (School District Governance), 2:80 (Board Member Oath and Conduct) 2:140 (Communications To and From the Board), 2:240 (Board Policy Development), 4:60 (Purchases and Contracts), 4:70 (Resource Conservation), 4:100 (Insurance Management), 4:110 (Transportation), 4:150 (Facility Management and Building Programs), 5:10 (Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment), 5:90 (Abused and Neglected Child Reporting), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives), 6:15 (School Accountability), 6:20 (School Year Calendar and Day), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities), 7:30 (Student Assignment and Intra-District Transfer), 7:190 (Student Discipline), 7:200 (Suspension Procedures), 7:210 (Expulsion Procedures), 8:10 (Connection with the Community), 8:30 (Visitors to and Conduct on School Property)

ADOPTED:

November 6, 2001

AMENDED:

January 24, 2011

Board of Education

School District Elections

School district elections are non-partisan; governed by the general election laws of the State and include the election of School Board members, various public policy propositions, and advisory questions. School Board members are elected at the consolidated election held on the first Tuesday in April in odd-numbered years. If, however, that date conflicts with the celebration of Passover, the consolidated election is postponed to the first Tuesday following the last day of Passover. The canvass of votes is conducted by the election authority within 21 days after the election. No more than three Board members can represent any one congressional township.

The School Board's election duties are:

- 1. The Board, by proper resolution, may place public policy propositions on the ballot on the ballot: (a) public policy referendum according to Article 28 of the Election Code, or (b) advisory questions of public policy according to Section 9-1.5 of the School Code.
- 2. The Board President, Secretary, and the member with the longest continuous service, whose nominating petition is not being challenged, compose the Education Officers Electoral Board to hear and rule on objections to candidate nominating petitions and voter petitions public questions. However, if any member of the Electoral Board is a candidate for the office for which the objection petition is filed, he or she is replaced on the Electoral Board by the School Board member with the second longest continuous service.
- 3. The Board Secretary or clerk serves as the local election official, assisted by designated representatives appointed by the Board.

LEGAL REF.: 10 ILCS 5/1-3, 5/2A-1.1 et seq., 5/10-9, 5/22-17, 5/22-18 and 5/28-1 et seq.

105 ILCS 5/9 and 5/9-1.5 et seq.

CROSS REF.: 2:40 (Board Policy Qualifications), 2:50 (Board Member Term of Office), 2:210

(Organizational School Board Meeting

ADOPTED: November 6, 2001

AMENDED: April 18, 2006

School Board

Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers

The School Board officers are: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers are elected or appointed by the Board at its organizational meeting.

President

The School Board elects a President from its members for a 2-year term. The duties of the President are to:

- 1. Focus the Board meeting agendas on appropriate content and preside at all meetings;
- 2. Make all Board committee appointments unless specifically stated otherwise;
- 3. Attend and observe any Board committee meeting at his or her discretion;
- 4. Represent the Board on other boards or agencies;
- 5. Serve as chairperson of the Education Officers Electoral Board which hears challenges to Board of Education candidate nominating petitions;
- 6. Sign official District documents requiring the President's signature, including Board minutes and Certificate of Tax Levy;
- 7. Call special meetings of the Board;
- 8. Serve as the head of the public body for purposes of the Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act;
- 9. Ensure that a quorum of the Board is physically present at all Board meetings;
- 10. Administer the oath of office to new Board members; and
- 11. Serve as the Board's official spokesperson to the media.

The President is permitted to participate in all Board meetings in a manner equal to all other Board members, including the ability to make and second motions.

The Vice President fills a vacancy in the Presidency.

Senior Board Member

In the absence of the Board president and vice president, the Board member with the longest service on the Board, who is present, shall convene the meeting. Immediately following roll call and if necessary seating new members, the Senior Board member will ask for a motion and second for President Pro Tempore (roll call necessary). The President Pro Tempore will carry out the presidential duties until such time as a board elected president or vice president is present.

Vice President

The Board of Education elects a Vice President from its members for a 2-year term. The Vice President performs the duties of the President if:

- 1. The office of President is vacant;
- 2. The President is absent; or
- 3. The President is unable to perform the office's duties.

A vacancy in the Vice Presidency is filled by a special Board election.

Secretary

The Board elects a Secretary for a 2-year term. The Secretary may be, but is not required to be, a Board member. The Secretary may receive reasonable compensation, as determined by the Board before appointment. However, if the Secretary is a Board member, the compensation shall not exceed \$500 per year, as fixed by the Board at least 180 days before the beginning of the term. The duties of the Secretary are to:

- 1. Keep meeting minutes for all Board meetings and keep the verbatim record for all closed Board meetings;
- 2. Mail meeting notification and agenda to news media who have officially requested copies;
- 3. Keep records of the Board's official acts, and sign them, along with the President, before submitting them to the Treasurer at such times as the Treasurer may require;
- 4. Report to the Treasurer on or before July 7, annually, such information as the Treasurer is required to include in the Treasurer's report to the Regional Superintendent;
- 5. Act as the local election authority for all School Board elections;
- 6. Arrange public inspection of the budget before adoption;
- 7. Publish required notices;
- 8. Sign official District documents requiring the Secretary's signature; and
- 9. Maintain Board policy, financial reports, publicity, and correspondence and such other official documents as directed by the Board.

The Secretary may delegate some or all of these duties, except when state law prohibits the delegation. The Board appoints a secretary pro tempore, who may or may not be a Board member if the Secretary is absent from any meeting or refuses to perform the duties of the office. A permanent vacancy in the office of Secretary is filled by special Board election.

Recording Secretary

The Board may appoint a Recording Secretary who is a staff member. The Recording Secretary shall:

- 1. Assist the Secretary by taking the minutes for all open Board meetings;
- 2. Assemble Board meeting material and provide it, along with prior meeting minutes, to Board members before the next meeting; and
- 3. Perform the Secretary's duties, as assigned, except when state law prohibits the delegation.

In addition, the Recording Secretary or Superintendent shall record all closed meeting minutes and receives notification from Board members who desire to attend a Board meeting by video or audio means.

Treasurer

The Treasurer of the Board shall be either a member of the Board who serves a 1-year term or a non-Board member who serves at the Board's pleasure. A Treasurer who is a Board member may not be compensated. A Treasurer who is not a Board member may be compensated provided it is established before the appointment. The Treasurer must:

- 1. Be at least 21 years old;
- 2. Not be a member of the County Board of School Trustees; and
- 3. Have a financial background or related experience, or 12 credit hours of college-level accounting.

The Treasurer shall:

- 1. Furnish a bond, which shall be approved by a majority of the full Board;
- 2. Maintain custody of school funds;
- 3. Maintain records of school funds and balances;
- 4. Prepare a monthly reconciliation report for the Superintendent and Board; and
- 5. Receive, hold, and expend District funds only upon the order of the Board.

A vacancy in the Treasurer's office is filled by Board appointment.

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LEGAL REF.:

5 ILCS 120/7 and 420/4A-106.

105 ILCS 5/8-1, 5/8-2, 5/8-3, 5/8-6, 5/8-16, 5/8-17, 5/10-1, 5/10-5, 5/10-7, 5/10-8, 5/10-13,

5/10-13.1, 5/10-14, 5/10-16.5, and 5/17-1.

CROSS REF.:

2:80 (Board Member Oath and Conduct), 2:210 (Organizational School Board Meeting)

ADOPTED:

November 6, 2001

AMENDED:

January 24, 2011

Board of Education

Board Member Expenses

No School Board member may receive compensation for services, except that a Board member serving as the Board Secretary may be paid an amount up to the statutory limit if the Board so provides.

The Board may advance or reimburse members the actual and necessary expenses incurred while attending:

- 1. Meetings sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education or by the Regional Superintendent of Schools;
- 2. County or regional meetings and the annual meeting sponsored by any Board of Education association complying with Article 23 of <u>The School Code</u>; and
- 3. Meetings sponsored by an organization in the field of public school education.

In addition, the Board may reimburse a member for registration fees or tuition for a course that allowed the member to comply with the mandatory training described in policy 2:120, Board Member Development

Expense reimbursement is not guaranteed and Board members should seek pre-approval of expenses, except in situations when the expense is diminutive. A Board member must return to the District any portion of an expense advance not used. Members must submit an itemized, signed voucher to support any expense advanced or to seek expense reimbursement. The voucher must show the amount of actual expense, attaching receipts if possible. A Board member submitting a bill for a group function should record participating members' names on the receipt. Money shall not be advanced or reimbursed for: (1) the expenses of any person except the Board of Education member, or (2) anyone's personal expenses.

The Superintendent shall review the submitted vouchers for compliance with this policy. If any voucher's compliance appears uncertain, the Superintendent shall notify the Board President or Vice President if the voucher in question is from the President, as well as the Board member who submitted the voucher. The Superintendent shall include the voucher in the monthly list of bills that is presented to the Board for approval or rejection.

Registration

When possible, registration fees will be paid by the District in advance.

Transportation

The least expensive transportation will be used, providing that no hardship will be caused to the Board member. Board members will be reimbursed for: (See Board policy 2:110, *Qualifications*, *Term, and Duties of Board Officers.*)

- 1. Air travel at the coach or single class commercial airline rate. First class air travel will be reimbursed only if emergency circumstances warrant. The emergency circumstances must be explained on the expense voucher. Copies of airline tickets must be attached to the expense voucher.
- 2. Rail or bus travel at actual cost. Rail or bus travel costs may not exceed the cost of coach airfare. Copies of tickets will be attached to the expense voucher to substantiate amounts.

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- 3. Use of personal automobiles at the standard mileage rate approved by the Internal Revenue Service as of January 1st for income tax purposes. The reimbursement may not exceed the cost of coach airfare. Mileage for use of personal automobiles in trips to and from transportation terminals will also be reimbursed. Toll charges and parking costs will be reimbursed.
- 4. Automobile rental costs when the vehicle's use is warranted. The circumstances for such use must be explained on the expense voucher.
- 5. Taxis, airport limousines, or other local transportation costs.

Hotel/Motel Charges

Board members should request conference rate or mid-fare room accommodations. A single room rate will be reimbursed. Board members should pay personal expenses at checkout. If that is impossible, deductions for the charges should be made on the expense voucher.

Meal Charges

Meal charges to the School District should represent "mid-fare" selections for the hotel/meeting facility or general area. Tips are included with the meal charges. Expense vouchers must explain the meal charges incurred.

Miscellaneous Expenses

Board members may seek reimbursement for other expenses incurred white attending a meeting sponsored by organizations described herein by fully describing the expenses on the expense vouchers, attaching receipts if possible.

Personal Charges

All personal travel costs must be excluded from the expense voucher.

Submission

All expenses must be submitted within 30 days of travel for reimbursement.

LEGAL REF .:

105 ILCS 5/10-20 and 5/10-22.32.

CROSS REF .:

2:100 (Board Member conflict of Interest), 2:110, (Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers) 2:120 (Board Member Development), 4:50 (Payment

Procedures)

ADOPTED:

November 6, 2001

AMENDED:

November 19, 2007

School Board

Types of School Board Meetings

General

For all meetings of the School Board and its committees, the Superintendent or designee shall satisfy all notice and posting requirements contained herein as well as in the Open Meetings Act. This shall include mailing meeting notifications to news media that have officially requested them and to others as approved by the Board of Education. Unless otherwise specified, all meetings are held in the North Boone District's main office. Board policy 2:220, School Board Meeting Procedure, governs meeting quorum requirements.

Unless the Board designates otherwise, The Superintendent is designated on behalf of the Board and each Board committee to receive the training on compliance with the Open Meetings Act that is required by Section 1.05(a) of that Act. The Superintendent may identify other employees to receive the training. Each Board member must complete a course of training on the Open Meetings Act as required by Section 1.05(b) or (c) of that Act.

Regular Meetings

The School Board announces the time and place for its regular meetings at the beginning of each fiscal year. The Superintendent shall prepare and make available the calendar of regular School Board meetings. *The regular* meeting dates calendar may be changed with 10 days' notice in accordance with State law.

A meeting agenda shall be posted at the District's main office and the Board's meeting room, or other location where the meeting is to be held, at least 48 hours before the meeting. Items not specifically on the agenda may still be added to the agenda as a discussion item, but no action shall be taken.

Closed Meetings

The School Board and School Board committees may meet in a closed meeting to consider the following subjects:

- 1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal_counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- 2. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
- 3. The selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3).
- 4. Evidence or testimony presented in open hearing, or in closed hearing where specifically authorized by law, to a quasi-adjudicative body, as defined in the Open Meetings Act, provided that the body prepares and makes available for public inspection a written decision setting forth its determinative reasoning. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(4).
- 5. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).
- 6. The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).
- 7. The sale or purchase of securities, investments, or investment contracts. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(7).

- 8. Security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8).
- 9. Student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).
- 10. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).
- 11. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).
- 12. The establishment of reserves or settlement of claims as provided in the Local Government and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act, if otherwise the disposition of a claim or potential claim might be prejudiced, or the review or discussion of claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the public body or any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool of which the public body is a member. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(12).
- 13. Self-evaluation, practices and procedures, or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(16).
- 14. Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meeting Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).
- 15. Meetings between internal or external auditors and governmental audit committees, finance committees, and their equivalents, when the discussion involves internal control weaknesses, identification of potential fraud risk areas, known or suspected frauds, and fraud interviews conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States of America. 5 ILCS 1202(c)(28).

The Board may hold a closed meeting, or close a portion of a meeting, by a majority vote of a quorum, taken at an open meeting. The vote of each Board of Education member present, and the reason for the closed meeting, will be publicly disclosed at the time of the meeting and clearly stated in the motion and the meeting minutes.

A single motion calling for a series of closed meetings may be adopted when such meetings will involve the same particular matters and are scheduled to be held within 3 months of the vote.

No final School Board action will be taken at a closed meeting.

Reconvened or Rescheduled Meetings

A meeting may be rescheduled or reconvened. Public notice of a rescheduled or reconvened meeting shall be given in the same manner as that for a special meeting, except that no public notice is required when the original meeting is open to the public and: (1) is to be reconvened within 24 hours, or (2) an announcement of the time and place of the reconvened meeting was made at the original meeting and there is no change in the agenda.

Special Meetings

Special meetings may be called by the President or by any 3 members of the Board of Education by giving notice thereof, in writing, stating the time, place, and purpose of the meeting to remaining Board members by mail at least 48 hours before the meeting, or by personal service at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Public notice of a special meeting is given by posting a notice at the District's main office at least 48 hours before the meeting and by notifying the news media that have filed a written request for notice. A meeting agenda shall accompany the notice.

No All matters will be discussed, considered, or brought before by the Board of Education at any special meeting other than such matters as were included in the stated purpose of must be related to a subject on the meeting agenda.

Emergency Meetings

Public notice of emergency meetings shall be given as soon as practical, but in any event, before the meeting to news media that have filed a written request for notice.

Posting on the District's Website

In addition to the other notices specified in this policy, the Superintendent or designee shall post the following on the District website: (1) the annual schedule of regular meetings, which shall remain posted until the Board approves a new schedule of regular meetings; (2) a public notice of all Board meetings; and (3) the agenda for each regular meeting which shall remain posted until the regular meeting is concluded.

LEGAL REF.: 5 ILCS 120/ Open Meetings Act

5 ILCS 140/, Freedom of Information Act

105 ILCS 5/10-6 and 5/10-16.

CROSS REF.: 2:110 (Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers), 2:120 (Board Member

Development), 2:210 (Organizational School Board Meetings), 2:220 (School Board Meeting Procedure), 2:230 (Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions

to the Board), 6:235 (Access to Electronic Networks)

ADOPTED: November 6, 2001

AMENDED: April 23, 2012

School Board

School Board Meeting Procedure

Agenda

The Board President is responsible for focusing the Board meetings agendas on appropriate content. The Superintendent shall prepare agendas in consultation with the Board President. The President shall designate a portion of the agenda as a consent agenda for those items that usually do not require discussion or explanation before School Board action. Upon the request of any Board member an item will be withdrawn from the consent agenda and placed on the regular agenda for independent consideration.

Each Board meeting agenda shall contain the general subject matter of any item that will be the subject of final action at the meeting. Items submitted by Board members to the Superintendent or the President shall be placed on the agenda for an upcoming meeting. District residents may suggest inclusions for the agenda. The Board will take final action only on items contained in the posted agenda; items not specifically on the agenda may still be discussed during the meeting, but no action taken.

The Superintendent shall provide a copy of the agenda, with adequate data and background information, to each School Board member at least 48 hours before each meeting, except a meeting held in the event of an emergency. The meeting agenda shall be posted in accordance with policy 2:200, Types of School Board Meetings.

The Board President shall determine the order of business at regular School Board meetings. Upon consent of a majority of members present, the order of business at any meeting may be changed.

Voting Method

Unless otherwise provided by law, when a vote is taken upon any measure before the School Board, with a quorum being present, a majority of the votes cast shall determine its outcome. A vote of "abstain" or "present," or a vote other than "yea" or "nay," or a failure to vote, is counted for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is present. A vote of "abstain" or "present," or a vote other than "yea" or "nay," or a failure to vote, however, is not counted in determining whether a measure has been passed by the Board, unless otherwise stated in law. The sequence for casting votes is rotated.

On all questions involving the expenditure of money and on all questions involving the closing of a meeting to the public, a roll call vote shall be taken and entered in the Board's minutes. An individual Board member may request that a roll call vote be taken on any other matter; the President or other presiding officer may approve or deny the request but a denial is subject to being overturned by a majority vote of the members present.

Minutes

The Board Secretary shall keep written minutes of all Sehool Board meetings, whether open or closed), which shall be signed by the President and the Secretary.

The minutes include:

- 1. The meeting's date, time, and place:
- 2. School Board members recorded as either present or absent;
- 3. A summary of the discussion on all matters proposed, deliberated, or decided, and a record of any votes taken;

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- 4. On all matters requiring a roll call vote, a record of who voted "yea" and "nay";
- 5. If the meeting is adjourned to another date, the time and place of the adjourned meeting;
- 6. The vote of each member present when a vote is taken to hold a closed meeting or portion of a meeting, and the reason for the closed meeting with a citation to the specific exception contained in the Open Meetings Act authorizing the closed meeting;
- 7. A record of all motions, including individuals making and seconding motions;
- 8. Upon request by a Board member, a record of how he or she voted on a particular motion; and
- 9. The type of meeting, including any notices and, if a reconvened meeting, the original meeting's date.

The minutes shall be submitted to the School Board for approval or modification at its next regularly scheduled open meeting. Minutes for open meetings must be approved within 30 days after the meeting or at the second subsequent regular meeting, whichever is later.

At least semi-annually in an open meeting, the Board: (1) reviews minutes from closed meetings that are currently unavailable for public release and (2) decides which, if any, no longer require confidential treatment and are available for public inspection. The School Board may meet in a prior closed session to review the minutes from closed meetings that are currently unavailable for public release.

The School Board's meeting minutes must be submitted to the Board Treasurer at such times as the Treasurer may require.

The official minutes are in the custody of the Board Secretary. Open meetings' minutes are available for inspection during regular office hours within 10 days after the Board's approval; they may be inspected in the District's main office, in the presence of the Secretary, the Superintendent or designee, or any School Board member. Minutes from closed meetings are likewise available, but only if the School Board has released them for public inspection. The minutes shall not be removed from the District's main office except by vote of the School Board or by court order.

The Board's open meeting minutes shall be posted on the District website within 10 days after the Board approves them; the minutes will remain posted for at least 60 days.

Verbatim Record of Closed Meetings

The Superintendent, or the Board Secretary when the Superintendent is absent, shall audio record all closed meetings. If neither is present, the Board President or presiding officer shall assume this responsibility. After the closed meeting, the person making the audio recording shall label the recording with the date and store it in a secure location. The Superintendent shall ensure that: (1) an audio recording device and all necessary accompanying items are available to the Board for every closed meeting, and (2) a secure location for storing closed meeting audio recordings is maintained close to the Board's regular meeting location.

After 18 months have passed since being made, the audio recording of a closed meeting is destroyed provided the Board approved: (1) its destruction, and (2) minutes of the particular closed meeting.

Individual Board members may listen to verbatim recordings when that action is germane to their responsibilities. In the interest of encouraging free and open expression by Board members during closed meetings, the recording of closed meetings should not be used by Board members to confirm or dispute the accuracy of recollections.

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Quorum and Participation by Audio or Video Means

A quorum of the Board must be physically present at all Board meetings. A majority of the full membership of the School Board constitutes a quorum.

Provided a quorum is physically present, a Board member may attend a meeting by video or audio conference if he or she is prevented from physically attending because of: (1) personal illness or disability, (2) employment or District business, or (3) a family or other emergency. If a member wishes to attend a meeting by video or audio means, he or she must notify the recording secretary or Superintendent at least 24 hours before the meeting unless advance notice is impractical. The recording secretary or Superintendent will inform the Board President and make appropriate arrangements. A Board member who attends a meeting by audio or video means, as provided in this policy, may participate in all aspects of the Board meeting including voting on any item.

Rules of Order

Unless State law or Board-adopted rules apply, the Board President, as the presiding officer, will use <u>Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised</u> (10th Edition), as a guide when a question arises concerning procedure.

Broadcasting and Recording Board Meetings

Any person may record or broadcast an open School Board meeting. Special requests to facilitate recording or broadcasting an open Board meeting, such as seating, writing surfaces, lighting, and access to electrical power, should be directed to the Superintendent as least 24 hours before the meeting.

Recording meetings shall not distract or disturb Board members, other meeting participants, or members of the public. The Board President may designate a location for recording equipment, may restrict the movements of individuals who are using recording equipment, or may take such other steps as are deemed necessary to preserve decorum and facilitate the meeting.

LEGAL REF .:

5 ILCS 120/2a, 120/2.02, 120/2.05, and 120/2.06.

105 ILCS 5/10-6, 5/10-7, 5/10-12, and 5/10-16.

CROSS REF .:

2:200 (Types of School of Board Meetings), 2:150 (Committees), 2:210

(Organizational School Board Meeting), 2:230 (Public Participation at School

Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board)

ADOPTED:

November 6, 2001

AMENDED:

February 28, 2011

Operational Services

Purchases and Contracts

The Superintendent shall manage the District's purchases and contracts in accordance with State law, the standards set forth in this policy, and other applicable Board policies.

Standards for Purchasing and Contracting

All purchases and contracts shall be entered into in accordance with State law. The Board Attorney shall be consulted as needed regarding the legal requirements for purchases or contracts. All contracts shall be approved or authorized by the School Board.

All purchases and contracts should support a recognized District function or purpose as well as provide for good quality products and services at the lowest cost, with consideration for service, reliability, and delivery promptness, and in compliance with State law. No purchases or contract shall be made or entered into as a result of favoritism, extravagance, fraud, or corruption. Contracts for work or purchases involving an expenditure of \$10,000 or more require the Administration to seek proposals from at least three (3) reputable persons, entities, or firms whenever possible.

Adoption of the annual budget authorizes the Superintendent or designee to purchase budgeted supplies, equipment, and services, provided that State law is followed and the Board has received an itemized list of capital expenses. Purchases of items outside budget parameters require prior School Board approval by vote, except in an emergency. Prior to adoption of the final budget, up to 75% of the tentative budget amounts may be spent.

When presenting a contract or purchases for Board approval, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that it complies with applicable State law, including but not limited to, those specified below:

- 1. Supplies, materials, or work involving an expenditure in excess in excess of \$25,000 must comply with the State law bidding procedure, 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21, unless specifically exempted.
- 2. Construction, lease, or purchase of school buildings must comply with State law and Board policy 4:150, *Facility Management and Building Programs*.
- 3. Guaranteed energy savings must comply with 105 ILCS 5/19b-1 et seq.
- 4. Third party non-instructional services must comply with 105 ILCS 5/10-22.34c.
- 5. Goods and services that are intended to generate revenue and other remunerations for the District in excess of \$1,000, including without limitation vending machine contracts, sports and other attire, class rings, and photographic services, must comply with 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21. The Superintendent or designee shall keep a record of: (1) each vendor, product, or service provided, (2) the actual net revenue and non-monetary remuneration from each contract or agreement, and (3) how the revenue was used and to whom the non-monetary remuneration was distributed. The Superintendent or designee shall report this information to the Board by completing the necessary forms that must be attached to the District's annual budget.
- 6. The purchase of paper and paper products must comply with 105 ILCS 5/10-20.19c and Board policy 4:70, Resource Conservation.

The Superintendent or designee shall: (1) execute the reporting and website posting mandates in state law concerning District contracts, and (2) monitor the discharge of contracts, contractors' performances, and the quality and value of services or products being provided.

Bidding and approval of purchases or contracts shall be governed by the following terms:

- 1. Contracts for work or purchases involving an expenditure of less than \$10,000 included in a budget previously approved by the Board may be approved by the Superintendent.
- 2. Contracts for work or purchases involving an expenditure of \$10,000 or more require the Administration to seek proposals from at least three (3) reputable persons, entities, or firms whenever possible and present the results to the Board for approval.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.19c, 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21, 5/10-22.34c, and 5/19b-1 et seq.

820 ILCS 130/.

CROSS REF.:

2:100 (Board Member Conflict of Interest), 4:70 (Resource Conservation), 4:150

Facility Management and Building Programs)

ADOPTED:

November 6, 2001

AMENDED:

May 24, 2010

Operational Services

Insurance Management

The Superintendent shall annually recommend and maintain all insurance programs which provide the broadest and most complete coverage available at the most economical cost, consistent with sound insurance principles.

The insurance program shall include:

- 1. Liability coverage to insure against any loss or liability of the School District, and the listed individuals against civil rights damage claims and suits, constitutional rights damage claims and suits, and death and bodily injury and property damage claims and suits, including defense costs, when damages are sought for negligent or wrongful acts allegedly committed in the scope of employment or under the Board's direction or related to any mentoring services provided to the District's certified staff members; School Board members; employees; volunteer personnel authorized by 105 ILCS 5/10-22.34, 5/10-22.34a, and 5/10-22.34b; mentors of certified staff members authorized in 105 ILCS 5/21A-5 et seq. (new teacher), 105 ILCS 5/2-3.53a (new principal), and 2-3.53b (new superintendents); and student teachers.
- 2. Comprehensive property insurance covering a broad range of causes of loss involving building and personal property. The coverage amount shall normally be for the replacement cost or the insurable value.
- 3. Workers' Compensation to protect the individual employees against financial loss in case of a work-related injury, certain types of disease, or death incurred in an employee-related situation.
- 4. Employee insurance programs.
- 5. The Board will pay for the cost of insurance for participation in football if the student has purchased the school insurance package.

LEGAL REF.:

820 ILCS 305/.

105 ILCS 5/10-20.20, 5/10-22.3, 5/10-22.3a, 5/10-22.3b, 5/10-22.3f, 5/10-22.34, 5/10-22.34a, and 5/10-22.34b.

215 ILCS 5/. 750 ILCS 75/.

Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, P. L. 99-272, ¶ 1001, 100 Stat. 222, 4980B(f) of the I.R.S. Code, 42 U.S.C. §300bb-1 et seq.

ADOPTED:

December 14, 2009

Operational Services

Transportation

The District shall provide free transportation for any student in the District who resides: (1) at a distance of one and one-half miles or more from his or her assigned school unless the School Board has certified to the Illinois State Board of Education that adequate public transportation is available, or (2) within one and one-half miles from his or her assigned school where walking to school or to a pick-up point or bus stop would constitute a serious hazard due to vehicular traffic or rail crossing, and adequate public transportation is not available. The District may provide transportation for other students residing within one and one-half miles from their assigned school. A student's parent(s)/guardian(s) may file a petition with the Board requesting transportation due to the existence of a serious safety hazard. Free transportation services and vehicle adaptation is provided for a special education student if included in the student's individualized educational programs. The District may provide transportation to and from school-sponsored activities. Non-public school students shall be transported in accordance with State law. Homeless students shall be transported in accordance with Section 45/1-15 of the Education for Homeless Children Act.

Bus schedules and routes shall be determined by the Superintendent or designee and approved by the School Board. Bus schedules and routes shall only be altered by the Superintendent or designee and require the approval of the School Board. In setting the routes, the pickup and discharge points should be as safe for students as possible. Bus schedules and routes shall be determined by the Superintendent or designee and shall be altered only with the Superintendent or designee's approval and direction. In setting the routes, the pick-up and discharge points should be as safe for students as possible. Type I (full size) buses will not enter private driveways to pick-up or discharge passengers unless the driveway is used for a turn-around or unless the issue of the bus stopping in the main thoroughfare presents a traffic related safety issue to the students on the bus or the students boarding or departing the bus at that stop.

If a student is at a location within the District, other than his or her residence, for child care purposes at the time for transportation to and/or from school, that location may be considered for purposes of determining the 1½ miles from the school attended. Unless the Superintendent or designee establishes new routes, pick-up and drop-off locations for students in day care must be along the District's regular routes. The District will not discriminate among types of locations where day care is provided, which may include the premises of licensed providers, relatives' homes, or neighbors' homes.

Transportation will be provided to the student's home or designated childcare provider only if the bus stop is in the student's home assigned attendance center area. Childcare provider must be consistent throughout the entire week and cannot be changed on a daily bases. Exceptions may be considered in an extreme emergency. If a student's bus stop is not that of his/her home, then a bus stop change request form must be completed and on file with the student's attendance center and with the transportation secretary. Any further change(s) in the student's designated bus stop will require completion of another bus stop change request form. The Parent/Guardian is limited to one day care provider change per semester. The District reserves the right to deny transportation for an individual if the Superintendent and the Transportation Coordinator deem that such a change would not be in the best interest of the District. The decision shall be based upon consideration of safety, amount of time or length of the bus route, or capacity of the bus. Parents who use a childcare provider who reside in another attendance center area must provide their own transportation unless the student(s) are in attendance as a result of Policy 7-30.

No school employee may transport students in school or private vehicles unless authorized by the administration.

Every vehicle regularly used for the transportation of students must pass safety inspections in accordance with State law and Illinois Department of Transportation regulations. The strobe light on a school bus may be illuminated only when the bus is actually being used as a school bus and (1) is stopping or stopped for loading or discharging students on a highway outside an urban area, or (2) is bearing one or more students. The

Superintendent shall implement procedures in accordance with state law for accepting comment calls about school bus driving.

All contracts for charter bus services must contain the clause prescribed by state law regarding criminal background checks for bus drivers.

Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Vehicle Inspection

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement a pre-trip and post-trip inspection procedure to ensure that the school bus driver: (1) tests the two-way radio and ensures that it is functioning properly before the bus is operated, and (2) walks to the rear of the bus before leaving the bus at the end of each route, work shift, or work day, to check the bus for children or other passengers in the bus.

School buses are also available for special trips by school groups when such trips do not interfere with the regular bus schedule. Guidelines for use of buses by outside groups are as follows:

- 1. Mileage, including the cost of the driver will be charged to the outside group. The cost will be set annually by the Superintendent.
- 2. Use of school buses will be limited to formal, recognized organizations in the North Boone area, such as 4-H, PTO, little league, churches, etc., having an address within the North Boone School District.
- 3. In the event of an accident, the group renting the school bus will be responsible for paying the deductible portion of the insurance policy.
- 4. Each group must have a properly licensed school bus driver in the State of Illinois to drive the bus on any rentals. This driver must be an employee of North Boone School District 200.
- 5. All other decisions with regard to the rentals will be left up to the discretion of the administration.

LEGAL REF.:

McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §11431 et seq.

105 ILCS 5/10-22.22 and 5/29-1 et seq.

105 ILCS 45/1-15.

625 ILCS 5/1-143.3a-5, 5/1-182, 5/11-1414.1, 5/12-813, 5/12-813.1, 5/12-815, 5/12-816,

5/12-821 and 5/13-109.

23 Ill.Admin.Code §§1.510 and 226.750; Part 120.

92 Ill.Admin.Code §440-3.

CROSS REF .:

4:170 (Safety), 5:100 (Staff Development), 5:120 (Ethics and Conduct), 5:280

(Educational Support Personnel - Duties and Qualifications), 6:140 (Education of

Homeless Children), 7:220 (Bus Conduct)

ADMIN. PROC.:

4:110-AP2 (Bus Driver Communication Devices; Pre-Trip and Post-Trip Inspection; and Bus Driving Comments), 4:170-AP3 (School Bus Safety Rules), 4:170-E3 (Emergency

Medical Information Form for Students with Special Needs or Medical Conditions Who

Ride School Buses), 6:140-AP (Education of Homeless Children)

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AMENDED:

April 23, 2012

General Personnel

Hiring Process and Criteria

The District hires the most qualified personnel consistent with budget and staffing requirements and in compliance with School Board policy on equal employment opportunity and minority recruitment. Administrators must document each applicant's certifications, qualifications, merit and ability (including performance evaluations, if available) and relevant experience. The Superintendent is responsible for recruiting personnel and making hiring recommendations to the Board. If the Superintendent's recommendation is rejected, the Superintendent must submit another. No individual will be employed who has been convicted of a criminal offense listed in Section 5/21B-80 of *The School Code*. The Superintendent may select personnel for an emergency condition before the School Board's next regular scheduled meeting or temporary hire. The employment will be reviewed and may be approved by the Board.

All applicants must complete a District application in order to be considered for employment.

Job Descriptions

The Superintendent shall develop and maintain a current, comprehensive job description for each position or job category; however, a provision in a collective bargaining agreement or individual contract will control in the event of a conflict.

Investigations

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that a fingerprint-based criminal history records check and a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database and Violent Offender Against Youth Database are performed on each applicant as required by State law. The Superintendent or designee shall notify an applicant if the applicant is identified in either database. *The School Code* requires the Board President to keep a conviction record confidential and share it only with the Superintendent, Regional Superintendent, State Superintendent, State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, or any other person necessary to the hiring decision or for purposes of clarifying the information, the Department of State Police and/or Statewide Sex Offender Database.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that an applicant's credit history or report from a consumer reporting agency is used only when a satisfactory credit history is an established bona fide occupational requirement of a particular position.

Each newly hired employee must complete an Immigration and Naturalization Service Form as required by federal law.

The District retains the right to discharge any employee whose criminal background investigation reveals a conviction for committing or attempting to commit any of the offenses outlined in Section 5/21B-80 of *The School Code* or who falsifies, or omits facts from, his or her employment application or other employment documents.

The Superintendent shall ensure that the District does not engage in any investigation or inquiry prohibited by law and complies with each of the following:

- 1. The District uses an applicant's credit history or report from a consumer reporting agency only when a satisfactory credit history is an established bona fide occupational requirement of a particular position
- 2. The District does not ask an applicant or applicant's previous employers about claim(s) made or benefit(s) received under the Workers' Compensation Act.
- 3. The District does not request of an applicant or employee access in any manner to his or her social networking website, including a request for passwords to such sites.

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4. The District provides equal employment opportunities to all persons. See policy 5:10, Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment.

Physical Examinations

New employees must furnish evidence of physical fitness to perform assigned duties and freedom from communicable disease, including tuberculosis. All physical fitness examinations and tests for tuberculosis must be performed by a physician licensed in Illinois, or any other state, to practice medicine and surgery in any of its branches, or an advanced, practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician that authorizes the advanced practice nurse to perform health examinations, or a physician assistant who has been delegated the authority by his or her supervising physician to perform health examinations and designated by the school district. The employee must have the physical examination and the tuberculin tests must have been taken by the employee no more than 90 days before submitting evidence of it to the School Board. A form shall be provided for the physical examination.

Any employee may be required to have an additional examination by a physician who is licensed in Illinois to practice medicine and surgery in all its branches, or an advanced practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician that authorized the advanced practice nurse to perform health examinations, or a physician assistant who has been delegated the authority by his or her supervising physician to perform health examinations, if the examination is job-related and consistent with business necessity. The School Board will pay the expenses of any such examination, as long as it is a physician designated by the school district.

Orientation Program

The District's staff will provide an orientation program for new employees to acquaint them with the District's policies and procedures, the school's rules and regulations, and the responsibilities of their position.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-21.0.

Employee Credit Privacy Act, 820 ILCS 70/.

Right to Privacy in the Workplace Act, 820 ILCS 55/.

Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, 29 C.F.R. Part 1630.

Immigration Reform and Control Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1324a et seq.

105 ILCS 5/10-16.7, 5/10-5/10-20.7, 5/10-21.4, 5/10-21.9, 5/21B-10, 5/21B-80, 5/10-

22.34, 5/10-22.34b, 5/22-6.5, and 5/24-1 et seq.

820 ISCS 55/ and 70/.

Duldulao v. St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital, 483 N.E.2d 956 (1st Dist. III. 1985), aff'd in

part and remanded 505 N.E.2d 314 (Ill. 1987). Kaiser v. Dixon, 468 N.E.2d 822 (2nd Dist. Ill. 1984).

Molitor v. Chicago Title & Trust Co., 59 N.E.2d 695 (1st Dist. Ill. 1945).

CROSS REF .:

3:50 (Administrative Personnel Other than the Superintendent), 5:10 (Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment), 5:40 (Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease), 5:125 (Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct), 5:220 (Substitute Teachers), 5:280 (Educational Support Personnel – Duties and Qualifications)

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Educational Support Personnel

Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves

Each of the provisions in this policy applies to all professional personnel to the extent that it does not conflict with an applicable collective bargaining agreement or individual employment contract or benefit plan; in the event of a conflict, such provision is severable and the applicable bargaining agreement or individual agreement will control.

Definitions

- 1. Educational Support Personnel whose employment day is more than seven and one-half (7.5) hours, are defined as full-time.
- 2. Educational Support Personnel whose employment day is equal to or less than seven and one-half (7.5) hours are defined as part-time.
- 3. Sick leave defined in State law and interpreted to mean personal illness, quarantined at home, serious illness, or death in the household of the employee or in the immediate family, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption. Immediate family shall be defined and interpreted to mean parents, spouse, brothers, sisters, children, grandparents, grandchildren, parents-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and legal guardians. The Superintendent and/or designee shall monitor the use of sick leave.
- 4. Personal leave shall be defined and interpreted to mean leave for personal business that must be transacted on a regular workday. Personal leave requested on the day before or after a school holiday or on the day before the end of the school year, or on the first day of the school year, will be granted only in cases of extreme emergency. Unused personal leave days may be accumulated as sick leave after June 30th each year.
- 5. Additional leave shall be defined and interpreted to mean necessary leave for personal reasons.
- 6. Insurance/annuity benefits shall be defined as those benefits especially approved available to employees in the District.
- 7. Part-time employees shall receive only benefits defined in number three (3) and four (4) above.
- 8. Leave of absence is defined as approved leave without pay and benefits. Short-term leave of absence is of two (2) weeks duration or less.

Sick Leave

- 1. Each employee shall be allowed during each fiscal year one (1) equivalent work day of sick leave each month without loss of pay. Twelve-month employees will receive 12 days annually, eleven-month employees will receive 11 days annually and ten-month employees will receive 10 days annually.
- 2. Each employee shall be allowed to accumulate up to 240 equivalent days of sick leave, through continuous employment with the District.
- 3. If an employee was absent for a period of four (4) days or more for illness, a doctor's statement will be required prior to the employee returning to work. If the employee is absent for serious illness or for hospitalization, a doctor's release for regular duties must be presented before returning to work.

Sick leave is defined in state law as personal illness, quarantine at home, serious illness or death in the immediate family or household, or birth, adoption, or placement for adoption. The Superintendent and/or designee shall monitor the use of sick leave.

As a condition for paying sick leave after 3 days absence for personal illness or 30 days for birth or as the Board or Superintendent deem necessary in other cases, the Board or Superintendent may require

that the staff member provide a certificate from: (1) a physician licensed in Illinois or Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery in all its branches, (2) a chiropractic physician licensed under the Medical Practice Act, (3) an advanced practice nurse who has written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician that authorized the advanced practice nurse to perform health examinations, (4) a physician assistant who has been delegated the authority to perform health examinations by his or her supervising physician, or (5) if the treatment is by prayer or spiritual means, a spiritual adviser or practitioner of the employee's faith. If the Board or Superintendent requires a certificate during a leave of less than 3 days, for personal illness, the District shall pay the expenses incurred by the employee.

Vacation

1. Full-time employees - 12 months employees shall be entitled to vacation with pay as follows: 1-5 years: 10 vacation days; 5 years and after: 15 days vacation.

During their first or probationary year: No vacation authorized or accrued After the employee's one year anniversary: 10 vacation days per year After the employee's fifth year anniversary: 15 vacation days per year

- 2. Twelve-month employees who are not full-time will earn vacation on a prorated basis.
- 3. Vacation: Vacation and leave days are not cumulative. The employee must use accrued vacation days during the year that vacation time is accruing plus an additional six months or the vacation days will be lost.

Employees resigning or whose employment is terminated are entitled to the monetary equivalent of all **unused** earned vacation accrued prior to their leaving the district's employ.

Insurance/Annuity Benefits

- 1. Full-time employees are entitled to District insurance/annuity benefits.
- 2. Part-time employees shall not receive District insurance/annuity benefits.

Leave of Absence

- 1. Employees may be granted up to one (1) year leave of absence without pay and benefits. Requests for such leave should be made in writing and submitted to the Principal who will forward the request to the Superintendent for approval.
- 2. Leave of absence requests for more than two (2) twelve (12) weeks must receive be approvaled from by the Board of Education.

Holidays

Unless the District receives a waiver or modification of The School code pursuant to Section 2-3.25g allowing it to schedule school on a holiday listed below, School District 12-month employees will not be required to work on:

New Year's Day
Martin Luther King's Birthday
President's Day or Lincoln's Birthday
Good Friday
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Labor Day
Columbus Day
Veteran's Day
Thanksgiving Day
Friday after Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Eve Day
New Years Eve Day

In the event the Board seeks and receives a waiver that allows student attendance on any of the identified holidays, the employees shall work on that day for straight time and shall receive a floating

holiday. In the event the holiday falls on a weekend, the employee shall receive a floating holiday. Floating holidays are subject to the same conditions as personal leave days.

A holiday will not cause a deduction from an employee's time or compensation. The District may require educational support personnel to work on a school holiday during an emergency or for the continued operation and maintenance of facilities or property.

Personal Leave

Full-time-Educational support personnel have four (4) personal leave days per year. Part time 10-month educational support personnel have four (4) personal leave days equivalent to their regular workday per year. The use of a personal day is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Except in cases of emergency or unavoidable situations, a personal leave request should be submitted to the Building Principal or employee's supervisor 3 days before the requested date.
- 2. No personal leave day may be used immediately before or immediately after a holiday, or during the first and/or last 5 days of the school year, unless the Superintendent grants prior approval.
- 3. Personal leave may not be used in increments of less than one-half day.
- 4. Personal leave is subject to any necessary replacement's availability.
- 5. Personal leave may not be used on an in-service training day.
- 6. Personal leave may not be used when the employee's absence would create an undue hardship.
- 7. Any personal leave days not used for the school year may be accumulated as additional equivalent sick leave days beginning with the next ensuing school year, or in the case of retirement after the school year, toward and in addition to other cumulative sick days for purposes of pension and/or retirement.

Leave to Serve as a Trustee of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund

Upon request, the Board will grant 20 days of paid leave of absence per year to a trustee of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/24-6.3.

Other Leave

Educational support personnel receive the following leaves on the same terms and conditions granted professional personnel in policy 5:250, *Leaves of Absence*:

- 1. Leaves For Service in the Military and General Assembly
- 2. School Visitation Leave
- 3. Leaves for Victims of Domestic or Sexual Violence

LEGAL REF .:

20 ILCS 1805/30.1 et seq.

105 ILCS 5/10-20.7b, 5/24-2, and 5/24-6.

820 ILCS 147 and 180/1 et seq.

CROSS REF .:

5:180 (Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity), 5:185 (Family and Medical

Leave), 5:250 (Professional Personnel - Leaves of Absence)

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Instruction

Student Social and Emotional Development

Student Social and emotional development learning (SEL) is defined as the process through which students enhance their ability to integrate thinking, feeling, and behaving to achieve important life tasks. Students competent in SEL are able to recognize and manage their emotions, establish healthy relationships, set positive goals, meet personal and social needs, and make responsible and ethical decisions.

The Superintendent shall be incorporated SEL into the District's curriculum and other educational programs and shall be consistent with the social and emotional development standards to be contained in the District's mission and the goals and benchmarks of the Ill.inois Learning Standards. The objectives Ill Learning Standards include three goals for addressing the needs of students for social and emotional development through the educational programs are to:

- 1. Enhance students' school readiness, academic success, and use of good citizenship skills; Develop self-awareness and self-management skills to achieve school and life success.
- 2. Use social awareness and interpersonal skills to establish and maintain positive relations.
- 3. Demonstrate decision-making skills and responsible behaviors in personal, school, and community contexts.

The incorporation of SEL objectives into the District's curriculum and other educational programs may include but is not limited to:

- 1. Classroom and school-wide programming to foster a safe, supportive learning environment where students feel respected and valued. This may include incorporating scientifically based, age-and-culturally appropriate classroom instruction, District-wide, and school-wide strategies that teach SEL skills, promote optimal mental health, and prevent risk behaviors for
- 2. Teach social and emotional skills to all students.
- 2. Staff development and training to promote students' SEL development. This may include providing all personnel with age-appropriate academic and SEL and how to promote it.
- 3. Partner with families and the community Parent/Guardian and family involvement to promote students' social and emotional SEL development. and This may include providing parents/guardians and families and learning opportunities related to the importance of their children's optimal SEL development and ways to enhance it.
- 4. Community partnerships to promote students' SEL development. This may include establishing partnerships with diverse community agencies and organizations to assure a coordinated approach to addressing children's mental health and SEL development.
- 5. Early identification and intervention to enhance students' school readiness, academic success, and use of good citizenship skills. This may include development of a system and procedures for periodic and universal screening, assessment, and early intervention for students who have significant risk factors for social, emotional, or
- 6. Prevent or minimize mental health problems in students conditions that impact learning.

- 6. Treatment to prevent or minimize mental health conditions in students. This may include building and strengthening referral and follow-up procedures for providing effective clinical services for students with social, emotional, and mental health conditions that impact learning. This may include student and family support services, school-based behavioral health services, and school-community linked services and supports.
- 7. Assessment and accountability for teaching SEL skills to all students. This may include implementation of a process to assess and report baseline information and ongoing progress about school climate, students' social and emotional development, and academic performance.

LEGAL REF.: Children's Mental Health Act of 2003, 405 ILCS 49/1 et seq.

CROSS REF.: 1:30 (School District Philosophy), 6:10 (Educational Philosophy and Objectives,

6:40 (Curriculum Development), 6:60 (Curriculum Content), 6:270 (Guidance and Counseling Program), 7:100 (Health, Eye, and Dental Health Examinations,

Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students), 7:180 (Preventing Bullying,

Intimidation, and Harassment), 7:250 (Student Support Services)

ADOPTED: September 21, 2004

Instruction

<u>Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program</u>

The Superintendent or designee shall develop, maintain, and supervise a program for students at risk of academic failure or dropping out of school. The program shall include education and support services addressing individual learning styles, career development, and social needs, and may include without limitation one or more of the following:

- Parent-teacher conferences
- Counseling services by social workers and/or guidance counselor
- Counseling services by psychologists
- Psychological testing
- Truants' alternative and optional education program
- Alternative school placement
- Community agency services
- Alternative learning opportunities program, in conformity with the Alternative Learning Opportunities Law, as it may be amended from time-to-time
- Graduation incentives program
- Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways through Education (IHOPE) Program
- Remediation program

Any student who is below the age of 20 years is eligible to enroll in a graduation incentives program if he or she:

- 1. Is considered a dropout according to state law;
- 2. Has been suspended or expelled;
- 3. Is pregnant or is a parent;
- 4. Has been assessed as chemically dependent; or
- 5. Is enrolled in a bilingual education or LEP program.

Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways through Education (IHOPE) Program

The Superintendent or designee shall develop the required partnerships necessary to build a comprehensive plan to re enroll high school dropouts in the District through the IHOPE Program. The IHOPE Program shall include all components required by state law and regulations. Any student who wishes to earn a high school diploma must meet the prerequisites to receiving a high school diploma in Policy 6:300, *Graduation Requirements*.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/2-3.41, 5/2-3.64, 5/2-3.66, 5/2-3.66b, 5/13B-1, et seq., 5/26-2a, 5/26-

13, 5/26-14, and 5/26-16. 23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 210.

CROSS REF.: 6:280 (Grading and Promotion, 6:300 (Graduation Requirements), 7:70

(Attendance and Truancy)

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AMENDED: April 23, 2012

<u>Instruction</u>

Instructional Materials

All District classrooms and learning centers should be equipped with an evenly-proportioned, wide assortment of instructional materials, including textbooks, workbooks, audio-visual materials, and electronic materials. These materials should provide quality learning experiences for students and:

- 1. Enrich and support the curriculum;
- 2. Stimulate growth in knowledge, literary appreciation, aesthetic values, and ethical standards;
- 3. Provide background information to enable students to make informed judgments and promote critical reading and thinking;
- 4. Depict in an accurate and unbiased way the cultural diversity and pluralistic nature of American society; and
- 5. Contribute to a sense of the worth of all people regardless of sex, race, religion, nationality, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, disability, or any other differences that may exist.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually provide a list *or description* of textbooks and instructional materials used in the District to the School Board. Anyone may inspect any textbook or instructional material.

Teachers are encouraged to use supplemental material only when it will enhance, or otherwise illustrate, the subjects being taught and to ensure it is age-appropriate. No R-rated movie shall be shown to students unless prior approval is received from the Superintendent or designee, and no movie rated NC-17 (no one 17 and under admitted) shall be shown under any circumstances. These restrictions apply to television programs and other media with equivalent ratings.

Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption

The Superintendent shall approve the selection of all textbooks and instructional materials according to the standards described in this policy. <u>The School Code</u> governs the adoption and purchase of textbooks and instructional materials.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.8, 5/10-20.9, and 5/28-19.1.

CROSS REF .:

6:30 (Organization of Instruction), 6:40 (Curriculum Development), 6:80 (Teaching About Controversial Issues), 6:170 (Title I Programs), 6:260 (Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities), 7:15 (Student and Family Privacy

Rights), 8:110 (Public Suggestions and Complaints)

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Instruction

Guidance and Counseling Program

The School District provides a guidance and counseling program for students. Building Principals The Superintendent or designee shall will direct the District's guidance and counseling program. School counseling services, as described by state law, may be performed by a qualified guidance specialist or any certificated staff member.

Each staff member is responsible for effectively guiding students under his/her supervision in order to provide early identification of intellectual, emotional, social, or physical needs, diagnosis of any learning disabilities, and development of educational potential. The District's counselors shall offer counseling to those students who require additional assistance.

The guidance program will assist students to identify career options consistent with their abilities, interests, and personal values. Students shall be encouraged to seek the help of counselors to develop specific curriculum goals which that conform to the student's career objectives. High school juniors and seniors will have the opportunity to receive career-oriented information. Representatives from colleges and universities, occupational training institutions and career-oriented recruiters, including the military, may be given access to the school campus in order to provide students and parent(s)/guardian(s) with information.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-22.24a and 5/10-22.24b.

23 Ill.Admin.Code §§1.420(q) and 1.420(b).

CROSS REF.: 6:50 (School Wellness), 6:65 (Student Social and Emotional Development),

6:110 (Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program), 6:120 (Education of Children with Disabilities), 6:130 (Program for the Gifted), 7:100 (Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students), 7:250 (Student

Walford Comment Commission

Welfare Support Services)

ADMIN. PROC.: 7:340-AP1 (School Student Records), 7:340-E1 (Notice to Parents/Guardians and

Students of Their Rights Concerning a Student's School Records), 7:340-E3 (Letter to Parents Concerning Military Recruiters and Postsecondary Institutions

Receiving Student Directory Information)

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Students

Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students

Required Health Examinations and Immunizations

A student's parent(s)/guardian(s) shall present proof that the student received a health examination and the immunizations against, and screenings for, preventable communicable diseases, as required by Illinois Department of Public Health, within one year prior to:

- 1. Entering kindergarten or the first grade;
- 2. Entering the sixth and ninth grades; and
- 3. Enrolling in an Illinois school, regardless of the student's grade (including nursery school, special education, head-start programs operated by elementary or secondary schools, and students transferring into Illinois from out-of-state or out-of-country).

As required by State law:

- 1. The required health examinations must be performed by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches, an advanced practice nurse who has a written collaborative agreement with a collaborating physician authorizing the advanced practice nurse to perform health examinations, or a physician assistant who has been delegated the performance of health examinations by a supervising physician.
- 2. A diabetes screening must be included as a required part of each health examination; diabetes testing is not required.
- 3. Before admission and in conjunction with required physical examinations, parents/ guardians of children between the ages of 6 months and 6 years must provide a statement from a physician that their child was "risk-assessed" or screened for lead poisoning.
- 4. The Department of Public Health will provide all female students entering sixth grade and their parents/guardians information about the link between human papilloma virus (HPV) and cervical cancer and the availability of the HPV vaccine.

Unless an exemption or extension applies, the failure to comply with the above requirements by October 15 of the current school year will result in the student's exclusion from school until the required health forms are presented to the District. New students who register after October 15 of the current school year shall have 30 days following registration to comply with the health examination and immunization. If a medical reason prevents a student from receiving a required immunization by October 15, the student must present, by October 15, an immunization schedule and a statement of the medical reasons causing the delay. The schedule and statement of medical reasons must be signed by the physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or local health department responsible for administering the immunizations.

Until June 30, 2015, A student transferring from out-of-state must have the required immunizations who does not have the required proof of immunizations by October 15 may in order to attend classes and present a physical or evidence of an appointment for a physical only if he or she has proof that an appointment for the required vaccinations is scheduled with a party authorized to submit proof of the required vaccinations. If the required proof of vaccination is not submitted within 30 days after the student is permitted to attend classes, the student may no longer attend classes until proof of the vaccinations is properly submitted.

Eye Examination

Parents/guardians are encouraged to have their children undergo and eye examination whenever health examinations are required.

Parents/guardians of students entering kindergarten or an Illinois school for the first time shall present proof before October 15 of the current school year that the student received an eye examination within one year prior to entry of kindergarten or the school. A licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist must perform the required eye examination.

If a student fails to present proof by October 15, the student may not attend school until the student presents proof: (1) of a completed eye examination, or (2) that an eye examination will take place within 60 days after October 15. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that parents/guardians are notified of this eye examination requirement in compliance with the rules of the Department of Public Health.

Dental Examination

All children in kindergarten and the second and sixth grades must present proof of having been examined by a licensed dentist before May 15 of the current year in accordance with rules adopted by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

If a child in the second or sixth grade fails to present proof by May 15, the school may hold the child's report card until the child presents proof: (1) of a completed dental examination, or (2) that a dental examination will take place within 60 days after May 15. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that parents/guardians are notified of this dental examination requirement at least 60 days before May 15 of each school year.

Exemptions

In accordance with rules adopted by the Illinois Department of Public Health, a student will be exempted from this policy's requirements for:

- 1. Religious grounds if the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) present to the Superintendent Building Principal a signed statement explaining the objection for each immunization from which the family wishes to be exempt;
- 2. Health examination or immunizations requirements on medical grounds if a physician provides written verification;
- 3. Eye examination requirement if the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) show an undue burden or lack of access to an optometrist or ophthalmologist who provides eye examinations or a licensed optometrist; or
- 4. Dental examination requirement if the student's parents/guardians show an undue burden or a lack of access to a dentist. A student waiver form must be signed by the parent.

Homeless Child

Any homeless child shall be immediately admitted, even if the child or child's parent/guardian is unable to produce immunization and health records normally required for enrollment. Board policy 6:140, *Education of Homeless Children*, governs the enrollment of homeless children.

LEGAL REF.:

Mc Kinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §11431 et seq.

105 ILCS 5/27-8.1 and 45/1-20. 410 ILCS 45/7.1 and 315/2e. 23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.530. 77 Ill.Admin.Code Part 665.

CROSS REF.:

6:30 (Organization of Instruction), 6:140 (Education of Homeless Children), 6:180

(Extended Instructional Programs), 7:50 (School Admissions and Student Transfers To

and From Non-District Schools)

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