

## Board Member Code of Conduct

The Board commits itself and its members to ethical, businesslike and lawful conduct, including proper use of authority and appropriate decorum when acting as board members.

Accordingly:

1. Board members will represent the interests of the whole organization. This accountability supersedes:
  - a. Conflict based upon the member's representation of a subsection of the organization.
2. Board members may not attempt to exercise individual authority over the organization.
  - a. Members' interaction with the Superintendent or with staff must recognize the lack of authority vested in individuals except when explicitly authorized by the Board.
  - b. Members' interaction with the public, press or other entities must recognize the same limitation and the inability of any Board member to speak for the Board except to repeat explicitly stated Board decisions.
  - c. Members will not publicly make or express individual negative judgments about Superintendent or staff performance. Any such judgments of Superintendent or staff performance will be made only by the full Board, meeting in executive session.
3. Board members shall maintain confidentiality appropriate to issues of a sensitive nature and information that otherwise may tend to compromise the integrity or legal standing of the Board, especially those matters discussed in executive session.

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