

PUBLIC COMPLAINTS ABOUT SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Constructive criticism of the schools is welcome through whatever medium when it is motivated by a sincere desire to improve the quality of the education program and to equip the schools of this district to do their task more effectively.

The Board of Education places trust in its employees and desires to support their actions in such a manner that employees are freed from unnecessary, spiteful, or negative criticism and complaints.

Whenever a complaint is made directly to the Board as a whole or to a Board member as an individual, it shall be referred to the school administration for study and possible solutions. The individual employee involved shall be advised of the nature of the complaint and shall be given every opportunity for explanation, comment, and presentation of the facts as he/she sees them.

If it appears necessary, the administration, the person who made the complaint, or the employee involved may request a meeting with the Board for the purposes of further study and a decision by this body. The meeting may be held in executive session as permitted by state law. Generally, all parties involved, including the school administration, shall be asked to attend such a meeting for the purposes of presenting additional facts, making further explanations, and clarifying the issues.

The Board shall conduct such meetings in as fair and just a manner as possible. The Board may request a disinterested third party to act as moderator to help it reach a mutually satisfactory solution.

Adopted: 2/14/83

Revised: March 1994
July 2002