

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

7:00 pm Regular Meeting

Community Services City Council Chambers 3301 Silver Lake Road – St. Anthony, MN 55418

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### **REGULAR MEETING**

Call to Order

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

#### Recognitions

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

#### **Communication Break**

#### **Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille

Each school board meeting, the superintendent will take time to reflect on the school district's achievements, events and stories of students and staff.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

The recommended motion is to approve the minutes from the October 18, 2022 Work Session, as presented.

#### Consent Agenda

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

The recommended motion is to approve the November 1, 2022 Consent Agenda, as presented.

#### Action Item:

Final Reading of Policies 404, 416 and 418

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

The recommended motion is to approve the following policies: 404 - Employment Background Checks; 416 - Drug and Alcohol Testing and 418 - Drug-Free Workplace / Drug-Free School, as presented.

#### Discussion:

#### **School Calendar Timeline**

Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille

#### Discussion:

#### First Reading of Policies 101, 104, 202, 203, 203.6, 212, 306, 405, 406, 407 and 409 School Board Member - Director Mageen Caines

This is the first reading of policies:

- 101 Legal Status of the School District
- 104 School District Vision/Mission Statement Operational Goals
- 202 School Board Officers
- 203 Operation of School Board Governing Rules
- 203.6 Consent Agenda
- 212 School Board Member Development
- 306 Administrator Code of Ethics
- 405 Veterans Preference
- 406 Public and Private Personnel Data
- 407 Employee Right to Know Exposure to Hazardous Substances
- 409 Employee Publications, Instructional Materials, Inventions and Creations

#### **School Board Member Reports**

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

#### Adjourn

Board Chair Laura Oksnevad

Next Meeting(s): Work Session – Tuesday November 15, 2022 – 7:00 pm – SAMS/SAVHS Media Center Regular Meeting – Tuesday, December 6, 2022 – 7:00 pm City Council Chambers

# **Staff Recognitions**

**Recommend motion:** ".....is to recognize and congratulate **Lori Waltz-King**, the District's Wellness Coordinator, as the 2022 School Nurse of the Year, recognized by the Minnesota Nurse Association, as presented.

Presenting: Hope Fagerland - Director of Student Services

**Recommend motion:** ".....is to recognize the achievements of the District's girls soccer coaches: **Sue Pawlyshyn** and **Paul Pawlyshyn**, as presented.

**Presenting:** Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille

**Recommend motion:** "....is to recognize and congratulate **Alison Criss**, 2022 National Council of Teachers of English - Outstanding Middle Level Educator Award, as presented.

Presenting: Amy Kujawski - St. Anthony Middle School Principal

1	St. Anthony – New Brighton
2	Independent School District 282
3	<u>3303 33. Ave NE</u>
4	St. Anthony, MN 55418
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6	Work Session – Tuesday, October 18, 2022
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8	MINUTES
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10 11	<u>Members Present</u> : Board Chair <u>Laura Oksnevad</u> ; Vice Chair <u>Ben Phillip</u> ; Treasurer <u>Mike</u> <u>Overman</u> ; Director <u>Mageen Caines</u> ; Director <u>Leah Slye</u> ; and Clerk <u>Cassandra Palmer</u>
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L3 L4	<b>Staff Present:</b> Superintendent <u>Dr. Renee Corneille</u> ; Director of Student Services <u>Hope</u> <u>Fagerland</u> ; District Mental Health Coordinator <u>Lucy Rosario</u> ; Literacy Coordinator <u>Jaimee</u>
.5 .6 .7	<u>Stanley;</u> Director of Teaching and Learning <u>Andrew Hodges;</u> Instructional Coaches <u>Kari Bodurtha</u> and <u>Heidi Haagenson</u> ; Wellness Coordinator <u>Lori Watzl King</u> ; and Executive Director of Finance and Operations Phan Tu.
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9	The Work Session was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Laura Oksnevad and the
0	gavel was then passed to Vice Chair Ben Phillip.
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3	APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
4 5 6	A motion was made by Mageen Caines and seconded by Laura Oksnevad to approve the October 18, 2022 Work Session agenda, as presented. <u>The motion carries 6 - 0.</u>
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9	SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
) 1	Each school board meeting, the superintendent will take time to reflect on the school district's
L 2 3	achievements, events and stories of students and staff. This evening's report included how SAMS is moving to a proficiency-based grading model; Director of Community Services &
1 5	Communications Wendy Webster was the keynote speaker at the MCEA conference and the district's subbing issue.
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3	APPROVAL OF MINUTES
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) [ <u>)</u>	A motion was made by Leah Slye and seconded by Mike Overman to approve the Minutes from the October 4, 2022 Regular Meeting and the October 11, 2022 School Board Professional Development Meeting, as presented.
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1 5	APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
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7 8	A motion was made by Laura Oksnevad and seconded by Mageen Caines to approve the October 18, 2022 Consent Agenda, as presented. <u>The motion carries 6 - 0.</u>
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51	DISCUSSION
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53 54	1. Community Schools
55 56	Community Schools are public schools that partner with families and community organizations to provide well-rounded educational opportunities and supports for students' school success.
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58	2. Operational Plan Update:
59	Teaching & Learning and Multi-Tiered Systems of Support
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61	Student Services and Teaching and Learning are combining efforts to create systems to ensure
62	alignment to ISD282's success metrics. Staff will share how they are building a Multi-Tiered
63	System of Support (MTSS) for both Social/Emotional Learning along with Literacy. These
64	systems are part of ISD282's operational plan.
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66	3. <u>Budget Update</u>
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68	Administration presented the July 2022 through September 2022 budget update for review.
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70	4. Policies 404, 416 and 418
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72	This was the second reading of Policies 404 - Employment Background Checks; 416 - Drug and
73	Alcohol Testing; and 418 - Drug Free Workplace/ Drug-Free School.
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76	5. Legislative Platform
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78	One of the Minnesota Standards of School Board Leadership is Advocacy and
79	Accountability. Included in this standard is the need to engage and build relationships with both
80	public and private stakeholders as well as advocate on local, state and national levels.
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83	REPORTS
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85	School Board Members attending the following events and meetings: MSBA Coffee and
86	Conversations; NE Metro 916; National Honor Society Induction Ceremony; volleyball; swim &
87	dive and the School Board Professional Development meeting.
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90	The Work Session of October 18, 2022 was adjourned at 10:06 p.m.
91	Signed: Cassandra Palmer - School Board Clerk
92	Attest: Kim Lannier
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# SCHOOL BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

November 1, 2022

PRESENTER(S): School Board Chair SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR'S RECOMMENDATION (in the form of a motion):"...to approve the Consent Agenda.

# 1. Personnel

a. Leave(s)

Last Name	First Name	Position	School	Date Effective
Kosiak	Renee	Paraeducator	Wilshire Park	November 11, 2022 - January 2, 2023

#### b. Hire(s)

Last Name	First Name	Position	School	Date Effective
McDonald	Pam	LTS Principal Secretary	St. Anthony Middle School	October 24, 2022 - January 27, 2023
Whitney	Jessalynn	LTS PE	Wilshire Park	2022 - 2023 School Year

### 2. Payment of Bills Checks Paid – November 1, 2022

General Fund	\$351,425.71
Food Service Fund	\$27,882.59
Community Service Fund	\$ 853.10
Capital Expenditure Fund	\$ 74,659.67
Transportation Fund	\$4,024.66
Construction Fund	\$4,510.00
Trust Fund	\$787.40
Agency Fund	\$9,125.00
Student Activities	\$5,555.04

TOTAL:

### \$478,823.17

# **DISPOSITION BY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_ Not Approved: \_\_\_\_ Tabled

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 404 Orig. 1995 Rev. 2009, 2017 Adopted March 21, 2017, Rev. November 1, 2022

# **404 EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND CHECKS**

# I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to maintain a safe and healthy environment in the school district in order to promote the physical, social, and psychological well-being of its students. To that end, the school district will seek a criminal history background check for applicants who receive an offer of employment with the school district and on all individuals, except enrolled student volunteers, who are offered the opportunity to provide athletic coaching services or other extracurricular academic coaching services to the school district, regardless of whether any compensation is paid, or such other background checks as provided by this policy. The school district may also elect to do background checks of other volunteers, independent contractors, and student employees in the school district.

# **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

A. The school district shall require that applicants for school district positions who receive an offer of employment and all individuals, except enrolled student volunteers, who are offered the opportunity to provide athletic coaching services or other extracurricular academic coaching services to the school district, regardless of whether any compensation is paid, submit to a criminal history background check. The offer of employment or the opportunity to provide services shall be conditioned upon a determination by the school district that an individual's criminal history does not preclude the individual from employment with, or provision of services to, the school district.

B. The school district specifically reserves any and all rights it may have to conduct background checks regarding current employees, applicants, or service providers without the consent of such individuals.

C. Adherence to this policy by the school district shall in no way limit the school district's right to require additional information, or to use procedures currently in place or other procedures to gain additional background information concerning employees, applicants, volunteers, service providers, independent contractors, and student employees.

# **III. PROCEDURES**

A. Normally an individual will not commence employment or provide services until the school district receives the results of the criminal history background check. The school district may conditionally hire an applicant or allow an individual to provide services pending completion of the background check, but shall notify the individual that the individual's employment or opportunity to provide services may be terminated based on the result of the background check. Background checks will be performed by the McDowell Agency or the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA). The BCA shall conduct the background check by retrieving criminal history data as defined in Minn. Stat. § 13.87. The school district reserves the right to also have criminal history background checks conducted by other organizations or agencies.

B. In order for an individual to be eligible for employment or to provide athletic coaching services or other extracurricular academic coaching services to the school district, except for an enrolled student volunteer, the individual must sign a criminal history consent form, which provides permission for the school district to conduct a criminal history background check, and provide a money order or check payable to either the BCA or to the school district, at the election of the school district, in an amount equal to the actual cost to the BCA and the school district of conducting the criminal history background check. The cost of the criminal history background check is the responsibility of the individual, unless the school district decides to pay the costs for a volunteer, an independent contractor, or a student employee. If the individual fails to provide the school district with a signed Informed Consent Form and fee at the time the individual receives a job offer, or permission to provide services, the individual will be considered to have voluntarily withdrawn the application for employment or request to provide services.

C. The school district, in its discretion, may elect not to request a criminal history background check on an individual who holds an initial entrance license issued by the state board of teaching or the commissioner of education within the 12 months preceding an offer of employment or permission to provide services.

D. The school district may use the results of a criminal background check conducted at the request of another school hiring authority if:

1. the results of the criminal background check are on file with the other school hiring authority or otherwise accessible;

2. the other school hiring authority conducted a criminal background check within the previous 12 months;

3. the individual executes a written consent form giving the school district access to the results of the check; and

4. there is no reason to believe that the individual has committed an act subsequent to the check that would disqualify the individual for employment or provision of services.

E. For all nonstate residents who are offered employment with or the opportunity to provide athletic coaching services or other extracurricular academic coaching services to the school district, the school district shall request a criminal history background check on such individuals from the superintendent of the BCA and from the government agency performing the same function in the resident state or, if no government entity performs the same function in the resident state, from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The offer of employment or the opportunity to provide services shall be conditioned upon a determination by the school district that an individual's criminal history does not preclude the individual from employment with, or provision of services to, the school district. Such individuals must provide an executed criminal history consent form.

F. When required, individuals must provide fingerprints to assist in a criminal history background check. If the fingerprints provided by the individual are unusable, the individual will be required to submit another set of prints.

G. Copies of this policy shall be available in the school district's employment office and will be distributed to applicants for employment and individuals who are offered the opportunity to provide athletic coaching services or other extracurricular academic coaching services upon request. The need to submit to a criminal history background check may be included with the basic criteria for employment or provision of services in the position posting and position advertisements.

H. The individual will be informed of the results of the criminal background check(s) to the extent required by law.

I. If the criminal history background check precludes employment with, or provision of services to, the school district, the individual will be so advised. J. The school district may apply these procedures to other volunteers, independent contractors, or student employees.

K. At the beginning of each school year or when a student enrolls, the school district will notify parents and guardians about this policy and identify those positions subject to a background check and the extent of the school district's discretion in requiring a background check. The school district may include this notice in its student handbook, a school policy guide, or other similar communication. A form notice for this purpose is included with this policy.

# **IV. CRIMINAL HISTORY CONSENT FORM**

A form to obtain consent for a criminal history background check is included with this policy.

# Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 13.04, Subd. 4 (Inaccurate or Incomplete Data) Minn. Stat. § 13.87, Subd. 1 (Criminal History Data) Minn. Stat. § 123B.03 (Background Check) Minn. Stat. §§ 299C.60-299C.64 (Minnesota Child Protection Background Check Act) Minn. Stat. § 364.09(b) (Exception for School Districts)

# **Cross References:**

Adopted:		

Revised:\_\_\_\_\_

### 416 DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING

#### I. PURPOSE

- A. The school board recognizes the significant problems created by drug and alcohol use in society in general, and the public schools in particular. The school board further recognizes the important contribution that the public schools have in shaping the youth of today into the adults of tomorrow.
- B. The school board believes that a work environment free of drug and alcohol use will be not only safer, healthier, and more productive but also more conducive to effective learning. To provide such an environment, the purpose of this policy is to provide authority so that the school board may require all employees and/or job applicants to submit to drug and alcohol testing in accordance with the provisions of this policy and as provided in federal law and Minnesota Statutes, sections 181.950-181.957.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. All school district employees and job applicants whose positions require a commercial driver's license will be required to undergo drug and alcohol testing in accordance with federal law and the applicable provisions of this policy. The school district also may request or require that drivers submit to drug and alcohol testing in accordance with the provisions of this policy and as provided in Minnesota Statutes, sections 181.950-181.957.
- B. The school district may request or require that any school district employee or job applicant, other than an employee or applicant whose position requires a commercial driver's license, submit to drug and alcohol testing in accordance with the provisions of this policy and as provided in Minnesota Statutes, sections 181.950-181.957.
- C. The use, possession, sale, purchase, transfer, or dispensing of any drugs not medically prescribed, including medical cannabis, whether or not it has been prescribed for the employee, is prohibited on school district property (which includes school district vehicles), while operating school district vehicles or equipment, and at any school-sponsored program or event. Use of drugs that are not medically prescribed, including medical cannabis, whether or not it has been prescribed for the employee, is also prohibited throughout the school or work day, including lunch or other breaks, whether or not the employee is on or off school district property. Employees under the influence of drugs that are not medically prescribed are prohibited from entering or remaining on school district property.
- D. The use, possession, sale, purchase, transfer, or dispensing of alcohol is prohibited on school district property (which includes school district vehicles), while operating school district vehicles or equipment, and at any school-sponsored program or event. Use of alcohol is also prohibited throughout the school or work day, including lunch or other breaks, whether or not the employee is on or off school district property. Employees under the influence of alcohol are prohibited from entering or remaining on school district property.
- E. Any employee who violates this section shall be subject to discipline that includes, but is not limited to, immediate suspension without pay and immediate discharge.

#### III. FEDERALLY MANDATED DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING FOR SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

#### A. <u>General Statement of Policy</u>

All persons subject to commercial driver's license requirements shall be tested for alcohol, marijuana (including medical cannabis), cocaine, amphetamines, opiates (including heroin), and phencyclidine (PCP), pursuant to federal law. Drivers who test positive for alcohol or drugs shall be subject to disciplinary action, which may include termination of employment.

### B. <u>Definitions</u>

- "Actual Knowledge" means actual knowledge by the school district that a driver has used alcohol or controlled substances based on: (a) direct observation of the employee's use (not observation of behavior sufficient to warrant reasonable suspicion testing); (b) information provided by a previous employer; (c) a traffic citation; or (d) an employee's admission, except when made in connection with a qualified employee self-admission program.
- 2. "Alcohol Screening Device" (ASD) means a breath or saliva device, other than an Evidential Breath Testing Device (EBT), that is approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and placed on its Conforming Products List for such devices.
- 3. "Breath Alcohol Technician" (BAT) means an individual who instructs and assists individuals in the alcohol testing process and who operates the EBT.
- 4. "Commercial Motor Vehicle" (CMV) includes a vehicle that is designed to transport 16 or more passengers, including the driver.
- 5. "Designated Employer Representative" (DER) means an employee authorized by the school district to take immediate action to remove employees from safety-sensitive duties, or cause employees to be removed from these covered duties, and to make required decisions in the testing and evaluation process. The DER receives test results and other communications for the school district.
- 6. "Department of Transportation" (DOT) means United States Department of Transportation.
- 7. "Direct Observation" means observation of alcohol or controlled substances use and does not include observation of employee behavior or physical characteristics sufficient to warrant reasonable suspicion testing.
- 8. "Driver" is any person who operates a CMV, including full-time, regularly employed drivers, casual, intermittent, or occasional drivers, leased drivers, and independent owner-operator contractors.
- 9. "Evidential Breath Testing Device" (EBT) means a device approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the evidentiary testing of breath for alcohol concentration and placed on its Conforming Products List for such devices.
- "Licensed Medical Practitioner" means a person who is licensed, certified, and/or registered, in accordance with applicable Federal, State, local, or foreign laws and regulations, to prescribe controlled substances and other drugs.
- 11. "Medical Review Officer" (MRO) means a licensed physician responsible for receiving and reviewing laboratory results generated by the school district's drug testing program and for evaluating medical explanations for certain drug tests.

- 12. "Refusal to Submit" (to an alcohol or controlled substances test) means that a driver: (a) fails to appear for any test within a reasonable time, as determined by the school district, consistent with applicable DOT regulations, after being directed to do so; (b) fails to remain at the testing site until the testing process is complete; (c) fails to provide a urine specimen or an adequate amount of saliva or breath for any DOT drug or alcohol test; (d) fails to permit the observation or monitoring of the driver's provision of a specimen in the case of a directly observed or monitored collection in a drug test; (e) fails to provide a sufficient breath specimen or sufficient amount of urine when directed and a determination has been made that no adequate medical explanation for the failure exists; (f) fails or declines to take an additional test as directed by the school district or the collector; (g) fails to undergo a medical examination or evaluation, as directed by the MRO or the DER; (h) fails to cooperate with any part of the testing process (e.g., refuses to empty pockets when so directed by the collector, behaves in a confrontational way that disrupts the collection process, fails to wash hands after being directed to do so by the collector, fails to sign the certification on the forms); (i) fails to follow the observer's instructions, in an observed collection, to raise the driver's clothing above the waist, lower clothing and underpants, and to turn around to permit the observer to determine if the driver has any type of prosthetic or other device that could be used to interfere with the collection process; (i) possesses or wears a prosthetic or other device that could be used to interfere with the collection process; (k) admits to the collector or MRO that the driver adulterated or substituted the specimen; or (I) is reported by the MRO as having a verified adulterated or substituted test result. An applicant who fails to appear for a pre-employment test, who leaves the testing site before the pre-employment testing process commences, or who does not provide a urine specimen because they have left before it commences is not deemed to have refused to submit to testing.
- 13. "Safety-Sensitive Functions" are on-duty functions from the time the driver begins work or is required to be in readiness to work until relieved from work and all responsibility for performing work, and include such functions as driving, loading and unloading vehicles, or supervising or assisting in the loading or unloading of vehicles, servicing, repairing, obtaining assistance to repair, or remaining in attendance during the repair of a disabled vehicle.
- 14. "Screening Test Technician" (STT) means anyone who instructs and assists individuals in the alcohol testing process and operates an ASD.
- 15. "Stand Down" means the practice of temporarily removing an employee from performing safety-sensitive functions based only upon a laboratory report to the MRO of a confirmed positive test for a drug or drug metabolite, an adulterated test, or a substituted test before the MRO completes the verification process.
- 16. "Substance Abuse Professional" (SAP) means a qualified person who evaluates employees who have violated a DOT drug and alcohol regulation and makes recommendations concerning education, treatment, follow-up testing, and aftercare.
- C. <u>Policy and Educational Materials</u>
  - 1. The school district shall provide a copy of this policy and procedures to each driver prior to the start of its alcohol and drug testing program and to each driver subsequently hired or transferred into a position requiring driving of a CMV.

- 2. The school district shall provide to each driver information required under Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including information concerning the effects of alcohol and controlled substances use on an individual's health, work, and personal life; signs and symptoms of an alcohol or controlled substance problem (the driver's or a coworker's); and available methods of intervening when an alcohol or controlled substance problem is suspected, including confrontation, referral to an employee assistance program, and/or referral to management.
- 3. The school district shall provide written notice to representatives of employee organizations that the information described above is available.
- 4. The school district shall require each driver to sign a statement certifying that the driver received a copy of the policy and materials. This statement should be in the form of Attachment A to this policy. The school district will maintain the original signed certificate and will provide a copy to the driver if the driver so requests.
- D. <u>Alcohol and Controlled Substances Testing Program Manager</u>
  - 1. The program manager will coordinate the implementation, direction, and administration of the alcohol and controlled substances testing policy for bus drivers. The program manager is the principal contact for the collection site, the testing laboratory, the MRO, the BAT, the SAP, and the person submitting to the test. Employee questions concerning this policy shall be directed to the program manager.
  - 2. The school district shall designate a program manager and provide written notice of the designation to each driver along with this policy.
- E. <u>Specific Prohibitions for Drivers</u>
  - 1. <u>Alcohol Concentration</u>. No driver shall report for duty or remain on duty requiring the performance of safety-sensitive functions while having an alcohol concentration of 0.04 or greater. Drivers who test greater than 0.04 will be taken out of service and will be subject to evaluation by a professional and retesting at the driver's expense.
  - 2. <u>Alcohol Possession</u>. No driver shall be on duty or operate a CMV while the driver possesses alcohol.
  - 3. <u>On-Duty Use</u>. No driver shall use alcohol while performing safety-sensitive functions.
  - <u>Pre-Duty Use</u>. No driver shall perform safety-sensitive functions within four
     (4) hours after using alcohol.
  - 5. <u>Use Following an Accident</u>. No driver required to take a post-accident test shall use alcohol for eight (8) hours following the accident, or until the driver undergoes a post-accident alcohol test, whichever occurs first.
  - 6. <u>Refusal to Submit to a Required Test</u>. No driver shall refuse to submit to an alcohol or controlled substances test required by post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, return-to-duty, or follow-up testing requirements. A verified adulterated or substituted drug test shall be considered a refusal to test.
  - 7. <u>Use of Controlled Substances</u>. No driver shall report for duty or remain on 416-4

duty requiring the performance of safety-sensitive functions when the driver uses any controlled substance, except when the use is pursuant to instructions (which have been presented to the school district) from a licensed medical practitioner who is familiar with the driver's medical history and has advised the driver that the substance does not adversely affect the driver's ability to safely operate a CMV. Controlled substance includes medical cannabis, regardless of whether the driver is enrolled in the state registry program.

- 8. <u>Positive, Adulterated, or Substituted Test for Controlled Substance</u>. No driver shall report for duty, remain on duty, or perform a safety-sensitive function if the driver tests positive for controlled substances, including medical cannabis, or has adulterated or substituted a test specimen for controlled substances.
- 9. <u>General Prohibition</u>. Drivers are also subject to the general policies and procedures of the school district that prohibit possession, transfer, sale, exchange, reporting to work under the influence of drugs or alcohol, and consumption of drugs or alcohol while at work or while on school district premises or operating any school district vehicle, machinery, or equipment.

#### F. <u>Other Alcohol-Related Conduct</u>

No driver found to have an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or greater but less than 0.04 shall perform safety-sensitive functions for at least twenty-four (24) hours following administration of the test. The school district will not take any action under this policy other than removal from safety-sensitive functions based solely on test results showing an alcohol concentration of less than 0.04 but may take action otherwise consistent with law and the policies of the school district.

#### G. <u>Prescription Drugs/Cannabinoid Products</u>

A driver shall inform the driver's supervisor if at any time the driver is using a controlled substance pursuant to a physician's prescription. The physician's instructions shall be presented to the school district upon request. Use of a prescription drug shall be allowed if the physician has advised the driver that the prescribed drug will not adversely affect the driver's ability to safely operate a CMV. Use of medical cannabis is prohibited notwithstanding the driver's enrollment in the patient registry. Use of nonintoxicating cannabinoids or edible cannabinoid products is not a legitimate medical explanation for a confirmed positive test result for marijuana. MROs will verify a drug test confirmed as positive, even if a driver claims to have only used nonintoxicating cannabinoids or edible cannabinoid product.

#### H. <u>Testing Requirements</u>

- 1. <u>Pre-Employment Testing</u>
  - a. A driver applicant shall undergo testing for [alcohol and] controlled substances, including medical cannabis, before the first time the driver performs safety-sensitive functions for the school district.
  - b. Tests shall be conducted only after the applicant has received a conditional offer of employment.
  - c. To be hired, the applicant must test negative and must sign an agreement in the form of Attachment B to this policy, authorizing former employers to release to the school district all information on the applicant's alcohol tests with results of blood alcohol concentration of 0.04 or higher, or verified positive results for controlled substances, including medical cannabis, or refusals to be tested (including verified adulterated or substituted drug test results), or any other violations of

DOT agency drug and alcohol testing regulations, or, if the applicant violated the testing regulations, documentation of the applicant's successful completion of DOT return-to-duty requirements (including follow-up tests), within the preceding two (2) years.

- d. The applicant also must be asked whether they have tested positive, or refused to test, on any pre-employment drug or alcohol test administered by an employer to which the employee, during the last two (2) years, applied for, but did not obtain, safety-sensitive transportation work covered by DOT testing rules.
- e. Before employing a driver subject to controlled substances and alcohol testing, the school district must conduct a full pre-employment query of the federal Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse ("Clearinghouse") to obtain information about whether the driver (1) has a verified positive, adulterated, or substituted controlled substances test result; (2) has an alcohol confirmation test with a concentration of 0.04 or higher; (3) has refused to submit to a test in violation of federal law; or (4) that an employer has reported actual knowledge that the driver used alcohol on duty, before duty, or following an accident in violation of federal law. The applicant must give specific written or electronic consent for the school district to conduct the Clearinghouse full query. The school district shall retain the consent for three (3) years from the date of the query.

#### 3. <u>Post-Accident Testing</u>

- a. As soon as practicable following an accident involving a CMV, the school district shall test the driver for alcohol and controlled substances, including medical cannabis, if the accident involved the loss of human life or if the driver receives a citation for a moving traffic violation arising from an accident which results in bodily injury or disabling damage to a motor vehicle.
- b. Drivers should be tested for alcohol use within two (2) hours and no later than eight (8) hours after the accident.
- c. Drivers should be tested for controlled substances, including medical cannabis, no later than thirty-two (32) hours after the accident.
- d. A driver subject to post-accident testing must remain available for testing, or shall be considered to have refused to submit to the test.
- e. If a post-accident alcohol test is not administered within two (2) hours following the accident, the school district shall prepare and maintain on file a record stating the reasons the test was not promptly administered and continue to attempt to administer the alcohol test within eight (8) hours.
- f. If a post-accident alcohol test is not administered within eight (8) hours following the accident or a post-accident controlled substances test is not administered within thirty-two (32) hours following the accident, the school district shall cease attempts to administer the test, and prepare and maintain on file a record stating the reasons for not administering the test.
- g. The school district shall report drug and alcohol program violations to the Clearinghouse as required under federal law.

#### 4. <u>Random Testing</u>

- a. The school district shall conduct tests on a random basis at unannounced times throughout the year, as required by the federal regulations.
- b. The school district shall test for alcohol at a minimum annual percentage rate of 10% of the average number of driver positions, and for controlled substances, including medical cannabis, at a minimum annual percentage of 50%.
- c. The school district shall adopt a scientifically valid method for selecting drivers for testing, such as random number table or a computer-based random number generator that is matched with identifying numbers of the drivers. Each driver shall have an equal chance of being tested each time selections are made. Each driver selected for testing shall be tested during the selection period.
- d. Random tests shall be unannounced. Dates for administering random tests shall be spread reasonably throughout the calendar year.
- e. Drivers shall proceed immediately to the collection site upon notification of selection; provided, however, that if the driver is performing a safety-sensitive function, other than driving, at the time of notification, the driver shall cease to perform the function and proceed to the collection site as soon as possible.

#### 5. <u>Reasonable Suspicion Testing</u>

- a. The school district shall require a driver to submit to an alcohol test and/or controlled substances, including medical cannabis, test when a supervisor or school district official, who has been trained in accordance with the regulations, has reasonable suspicion to believe that the driver has used alcohol and/or controlled substances, including medical cannabis, on duty, within four (4) hours before coming on duty, or just after the period of the work day. The test shall be done as soon as practicable following the observation of the behavior indicative of the use of controlled substances or alcohol.
- b. The reasonable suspicion determination must be based on specific, contemporaneous, articulable observations concerning the driver's appearance, behavior, speech, or body odors. The required observations for reasonable suspicion of a controlled substances violation may include indications of the chronic and withdrawal effects of controlled substances.
- c. Alcohol testing shall be administered within two (2) hours following a determination of reasonable suspicion. If it is not done within two (2) hours, the school district shall prepare and maintain a record explaining why it was not promptly administered and continue to attempt to administer the alcohol test within eight (8) hours. If an alcohol test is not administered within eight (8) hours following the determination of reasonable suspicion, the school district shall cease attempts to administer the test and state in the record the reasons for not administering the test.
- d. The supervisor or school district official who makes observations

leading to a controlled substances reasonable suspicion test shall make and sign a written record of the observations within twenty-four (24) hours of the observed behavior or before the results of the drug test are released, whichever is earlier.

- 6. <u>Return-To-Duty Testing</u>. A driver found to have violated this policy shall not return to work until an SAP has determined the employee has successfully complied with prescribed education and/or treatment and until undergoing return-to-duty tests indicating an alcohol concentration of less than 0.02 and a confirmed negative result for the use of controlled substances. The school district is not required to return a driver to safety-sensitive duties because the driver has met these conditions; this is a personnel decision subject to collective bargaining agreements or other legal requirements.
- 7. <u>Follow-Up Testing</u>. When an SAP has determined that a driver is in need of assistance in resolving problems with alcohol and/or controlled substances, the driver shall be subject to unannounced follow-up testing as directed by the SAP for up to sixty (60) months after completing a treatment program.
- 8. <u>Refusal to Submit and Attendant Consequences</u>
  - a. A driver or driver applicant may refuse to submit to drug and alcohol testing.
  - b. Refusal to submit to a required drug or alcohol test subjects the driver or driver applicant to the consequences specified in federal regulations as well as the civil and/or criminal penalty provisions of 49 United States Code section 521(b). In addition, a refusal to submit to testing establishes a presumption that the driver or driver applicant would test positive if a test were conducted and makes the driver or driver applicant subject to discipline or disqualification under this policy.
  - c. A driver applicant who refuses to submit to testing shall be disqualified from further consideration for the conditionally offered position.
  - d. An employee who refuses to submit to testing shall not be permitted to perform safety-sensitive functions and will be considered insubordinate and subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal. If an employee is offered an opportunity to return to a DOT safety-sensitive duty, the employee will be evaluated by an SAP and must submit to a return-to-duty test prior to being considered for reassignment to safety-sensitive functions.
  - e. Drivers or driver applicants who refuse to submit to required testing will be required to sign Attachment C to this policy.
- I. <u>Testing Procedures</u>
  - 1. Drug Testing
    - a. Drug testing is conducted by analyzing a donor's urine specimen. Split urine samples will be collected in accordance with federal regulations. The donor will provide a urine sample at a designated collection site. The collection site personnel will then pour the sample into two sample bottles, labeled "primary" and "split," seal the specimen bottles, complete the chain of custody form, and prepare the specimen bottles for shipment to the testing laboratory for analysis. The specimen preparation shall be conducted in sight of the donor.

- b. If the donor is unable to provide the appropriate quantity of urine, the collection site person shall instruct the individual to drink up to forty (40) ounces of fluid distributed reasonably through a period of up to three (3) hours to attempt to provide a sample. If the individual is still unable to provide a complete sample, the test shall be discontinued and the school district notified. The DER shall refer the donor for a medical evaluation to determine if the donor's inability to provide a specimen is genuine or constitutes a refusal to test. For pre-employment testing, the school district may elect to not have a referral made, and revoke the employment offer.
- c. Drug test results are reported directly to the MRO by the testing laboratory. The MRO reports the results to the DER. If the results are negative, the school district is informed and no further action is necessary. If the test result is confirmed positive, adulterated, substituted, or invalid, the MRO shall give the donor an opportunity to discuss the test result. The MRO will contact the donor directly, on a confidential basis, to determine whether the donor that the donor has seventy-two (72) hours from the time of notification in which to request a test of the split specimen at the donor's expense. No split specimen testing is done for an invalid result.
- d. If the donor requests an analysis of the split specimen within seventy-two (72) hours of having been informed of a confirmed positive test, the MRO shall direct, in writing, the laboratory to provide the split specimen to another Department of Health and Human Services – SAMHSA certified laboratory for analysis. If the donor has not contacted the MRO within seventy-two (72) hours, the donor may present the MRO information documenting that serious illness, injury, inability to contact the MRO, lack of actual notice of the confirmed positive test, or other circumstances unavoidably prevented the donor from timely making contact. If the MRO concludes that a legitimate explanation for the donor's failure to contact him/her within seventy-two (72) hours exists, the MRO shall direct the analysis of the split specimen. The MRO will review the confirmed positive test result to determine whether an acceptable medical reason for the positive result exists. The MRO shall confirm and report a positive test result to the DER and the employee when no legitimate medical reason for a positive test result as received from the testing laboratory exists.
- e. If, after making reasonable efforts and documenting those efforts, the MRO is unable to reach the donor directly, the MRO must contact the DER who will direct the donor to contact the MRO. If the DER is unable to contact the donor, the donor will be suspended from performing safety-sensitive functions.
- f. The MRO may confirm the test as a positive without having communicated directly with the donor about the test results under the following circumstances:
  - (1) The donor expressly declines the opportunity to discuss the test results;
  - (2) The donor has not contacted the MRO within seventy-two (72) hours of being instructed to do so by the DER; or
  - (3) The MRO and the DER, after making and documenting all reasonable efforts, have not been able to contact the donor

within ten (10) days of the date the confirmed test result was received from the laboratory.

- 2. <u>Alcohol Testing</u>
  - a. The federal alcohol testing regulations require testing to be administered by a BAT using an EBT or an STT using an ASD. EBTs and ASDs can be used for screening tests but only EBTs can be used for confirmation tests.
  - b. Any test result less than 0.02 alcohol concentration is considered a "negative" test.
  - c. If the donor is unable to provide sufficient saliva for an ASD, the DER will immediately arrange to use an EBT. If the donor attempts and fails to provide an adequate amount of breath, the school district will direct the donor to obtain a written evaluation from a licensed physician to determine if the donor's inability to provide a breath sample is genuine or constitutes a refusal to test.
  - d. If the screening test results show alcohol concentration of 0.02 or higher, a confirmatory test conducted on an EBT will be required to be performed between fifteen (15) and thirty (30) minutes after the completion of the screening test.
  - e. Alcohol tests are reported directly to the DER.

#### J. Driver/Driver Applicant Rights

- 1. All drivers and driver applicants subject to the controlled substances testing provisions of this policy who receive a confirmed positive test result for the use of controlled substances have the right to request, at the driver's or driver applicant's expense, a confirming retest of the split urine sample. If the confirming retest is negative, no adverse action will be taken against the driver, and a driver applicant will be considered for employment.
- 2. The school district will not discharge a driver who, for the first time, receives a confirmed positive drug or alcohol test UNLESS:
  - a. The school district has first given the employee an opportunity to participate in, at the employee's own expense or pursuant to coverage under an employee benefit plan, either a drug or alcohol counseling or rehabilitation program, whichever is more appropriate, as determined by the school district after consultation with the SAP; and
  - b. The employee refuses to participate in the recommended program, or fails to successfully complete the program as evidenced by withdrawal before its completion or by a positive test result on a confirmatory test after completion of the program.
  - c. This limitation on employee discharge does not bar discharge of an employee for reasons independent of the first confirmed positive test result.

#### K. <u>Testing Laboratory</u>

The testing laboratory for controlled substances will be [*name, address, telephone number*], which is a laboratory certified by the Department of Health and Human

Services – SAMHSA to perform controlled substances testing pursuant to federal regulations.

#### L. <u>Confidentiality of Test Results</u>

All alcohol and controlled substances test results and required records of the drug and alcohol testing program are considered confidential information under federal law and private data on individuals as that phrase is defined in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 13. Any information concerning the individual's test results and records shall not be released without written permission of the individual, except as provided for by regulation or law.

#### M. <u>Recordkeeping Requirements and Retention of Records</u>

- 1. The school district shall keep and maintain records in accordance with the federal regulations in a secure location with controlled access.
- 2. The required records shall be retained for the following minimum periods:

Basic records

5 years

"Basic records" includes records of: (a) alcohol test results with concentration of 0.02 or greater; (b) verified positive drug test results; (c) refusals to submit to required tests (including substituted or adulterated drug test results); (d) SAP reports; (e) all follow-up tests and schedules for follow-up tests; (f) calibration documentation; (g) administration of the testing programs; and (h) each annual calendar year summary.

Information obtained from previous employers	3 years
Alcohol and controlled substance collection procedures	
2 years	
Negative and cancelled controlled substance tests	1 year
Alcohol tests with less than 0.02 concentration	1 year
Education and training records	indefinite

"Education and training records" must be maintained while the individuals perform the functions which require training and for the two (2) years after ceasing to perform those functions.

#### 3. Personal Information

Personal information about all individuals who undergo any required testing under this policy will be shared with the U.S. DOT Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse ("Clearinghouse) as required under federal law, including:

- a. The name of the person tested;
- b. Any verified positive, adulterated, or substituted drug test result;
- c. Any alcohol confirmation test with a BAC concentration of 0.04 or higher;
- d. Any refusal to submit to any test required hereunder;
- e. Any report by a supervisor of actual knowledge of use as follows
  - i. Any on-duty alcohol use;
  - ii. Any pre-duty alcohol use;

- iii. Any alcohol use following an accident; and
- iv. Any controlled substance use.
- f. Any report from a substance abuse professional certifying successful completion of the return-to-work process;
- g. Any negative return-to-duty test; and
- h. Any employer's report of completion of follow-up testing.
- N. <u>Training</u>

The school district shall ensure all persons designated to supervise drivers receive training. The designated employees shall receive at least sixty (60) minutes of training on alcohol misuse and at least sixty (60) minutes of training on controlled substances use. The training shall include physical, behavioral, speech, and performance indicators of probable misuse of alcohol and use of controlled substances. The training will be used by the supervisors to make determinations of reasonable suspicion.

#### 0. <u>Consequences of Prohibited Conduct and Enforcement</u>

- 1. <u>Removal</u>. The school district shall remove a driver who has engaged in prohibited conduct from safety-sensitive functions. A driver shall not be permitted to return to safety-sensitive functions until and unless the return-to-duty requirements of federal DOT regulations have been completed.
- 2. <u>Referral, Evaluation, and Treatment</u>
  - a. A driver or driver applicant who has engaged in prohibited conduct shall be provided a listing of SAPs readily available to the driver or applicant and acceptable to the school district.
  - b. If the school district offers a driver an opportunity to return to a DOT safety-sensitive duty following a violation, the driver must be evaluated by an SAP and the driver is required to successfully comply with the SAP's evaluation recommendations (education, treatment, follow-up evaluation(s), and/or ongoing services). The school district is not required to provide an SAP evaluation or any subsequent recommended education or treatment.
  - c. Drivers are responsible for payment for SAP evaluations and services unless a collective bargaining agreement or employee benefit plan provides otherwise.
  - d. Drivers who engage in prohibited conduct also are required to comply with follow-up testing requirements.
- 3. <u>Disciplinary Action</u>
  - a. Any driver who refuses to submit to post-accident, random, reasonable suspicion, or follow-up testing not only shall not perform or continue to perform safety-sensitive functions, but also may be subject to disciplinary action, which may include immediate suspension without pay and/or immediate discharge.
  - b. Drivers who test positive with verification of a confirmatory test or are otherwise found to be in violation of this policy or the federal regulations shall be subject to disciplinary action, which may include

immediate suspension without pay and/or immediate discharge.

- c. Nothing in this policy limits or restricts the right of the school district to discipline or discharge a driver for conduct which not only constitutes prohibited conduct under this policy but also violates the school district's other rules or policies.
- P. <u>Other Testing</u>

The school district may request or require that drivers submit to drug and alcohol testing other than that required by federal law. For example, drivers may be requested or required to undergo drug and alcohol testing on an annual basis as part of a routine physical examination. Such additional testing of drivers will be conducted only in accordance with the provisions of this policy and as provided in Minnesota Statutes, sections 181.950-181.957. For purposes of such additional, non-mandatory testing, drivers fall within the definition of "other employees" covered by Section IV. of this policy.

Q. Report to Clearinghouse

The school district shall promptly submit to the Clearinghouse any record generated of an individual who refuses to take an alcohol or controlled substance test required under Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, tests positive for alcohol or a controlled substance in violation of federal regulations, or violates subpart B of Part 382 of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (or any subsequent corresponding regulations).

- R. Annual Clearinghouse Query
  - 1. The school district must conduct a query of the Clearinghouse record at least once per year for information for all employees subject to controlled substance and alcohol testing related to CMV operation to determine whether information exists in the Clearinghouse about those employees. In lieu of a full query, the school district may obtain the individual driver's consent to conduct a limited query to satisfy the annual query requirement. The limited query will tell the employer whether there is information about the driver in the Clearinghouse but will not release that information to the employer. If the limited query shows that information exists in the Clearinghouse about the driver, the school district must conduct a full query within twenty-four (24) hours or must not allow the driver to continue to perform any safety-sensitive function until the employee conducts the full query and the results confirm the driver's Clearinghouse record contains no prohibitions showing the driver has a verified positive, adulterated or substitute controlled substance test, no alcohol confirmation test with a concentration of 0.04 or higher, refuses to submit to a test, or was reported to have used alcohol on duty, before duty, following an accident or otherwise used a controlled substance in violation of the regulations except where the driver completed the SAP evaluation, referral and education/treatment process as required by the regulations. The school district shall comply with the query requirements set forth in 49 Code of Federal Regulations 382.701.
  - 2 The school district may not access an individual's Clearinghouse record unless the school district (1) obtains the individual's prior written or electronic consent for access to the record; and (2) submits proof of the individual's consent to the Clearinghouse. The school district must retain the consent for three (3) years from the date of the last query. The school district shall retain for three (3) years a record of each request for records from the Clearinghouse and the information received pursuant to the request.
  - 3. The school district shall protect the individual's privacy and confidentiality of each Clearinghouse record it receives. The school district shall ensure that

information contained in a Clearinghouse record is not divulged to a person or entity not directly involved in assessing and evaluating whether a prohibition applies with respect to the individual to operate a CMV for the school district.

4. The school district may use an individual's Clearinghouse record only to assess and evaluate whether a prohibition applies with respect to the individual to operate a CMV for the school district.

#### IV. DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING FOR OTHER EMPLOYEES

The school district may request or require drug and alcohol testing for other school district personnel, i.e., employees who are not school bus drivers, or job applicants for such positions. The school district does not have a legal duty to request or require any employee or job applicant to undergo drug and alcohol testing as authorized in this policy, except for school bus drivers and other drivers of CMVs who are subject to federally mandated testing. (See Section III. of this policy.) If a school bus driver is requested or required to submit to drug or alcohol testing beyond that mandated by federal law, the provisions of Section IV. of this policy will be applicable to such testing.

- A. <u>Circumstances Under Which Drug or Alcohol Testing May Be Requested or Required</u>:
  - 1. <u>General Limitations</u>
    - a. The school district will not request or require an employee or job applicant whose position does not require a commercial driver's license to undergo drug or alcohol testing, unless the testing is done pursuant to this drug and alcohol testing policy; and is conducted by a testing laboratory that meets one of the criteria listed in Minnesota Statutes, section 181.953, subdivision 1.
    - b. The school district will not request or require an employee or job applicant whose position does not require a commercial driver's license to undergo drug and alcohol testing on an arbitrary and capricious basis.
  - 2. <u>Job Applicant Testing</u>

The school district may request or require any job applicant whose position does not require a commercial driver's license to undergo drug and alcohol testing, provided a job offer has been made to the applicant and the same test is requested or required of all job applicants conditionally offered employment for that position. If a job applicant has received a job offer that is contingent on the applicant's passing drug and alcohol testing, the school district may not withdraw the offer based on a positive test result from an initial screening test that has not been verified by a confirmatory test. In the event the job offer is subsequently withdrawn, the school district shall notify the job applicant of the reason for its action.

#### 3. <u>Random Testing</u>

The school district may request or require employees to undergo drug and alcohol testing on a random selection basis only if they are employed in safety-sensitive positions.

4. <u>Reasonable Suspicion Testing</u>

The school district may request or require any employee to undergo drug and alcohol testing if the school district has a reasonable suspicion that the employee:

- a. is under the influence of drugs or alcohol;
- has violated the school district's written work rules prohibiting the use, possession, sale, or transfer of drugs or alcohol while the employee is working or while the employee is on the school district's premises or operating the school district's vehicles, machinery, or equipment;
- c. has sustained a personal injury, as that term is defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 176.011, subdivision 16, or has caused another employee to sustain a personal injury; or
- d. has caused a work-related accident or was operating or helping to operate machinery, equipment, or vehicles involved in a work-related accident.
- 5. <u>Treatment Program Testing</u>

The school district may request or require any employee to undergo drug and alcohol testing if the employee has been referred by the school district for chemical dependency treatment or evaluation or is participating in a chemical dependency treatment program under an employee benefit plan, in which case the employee may be requested or required to undergo drug and alcohol testing without prior notice during the evaluation or treatment period and for a period of up to two (2) years following completion of any prescribed chemical dependency treatment program.

6. <u>Routine Physical Examination Testing</u>

The school district may request or require any employee to undergo drug and alcohol testing as part of a routine physical examination provided the drug or alcohol test is requested or required no more than once annually and the employee has been given at least two weeks' written notice that a drug or alcohol test may be requested or required as part of the physical examination.

#### B. <u>No Legal Duty to Test</u>

The school district does not have a legal duty to request or require any employee or job applicant whose position does not require a commercial driver's license to undergo drug and alcohol testing.

- C. <u>Definitions</u>
  - 1. "Drug" means a controlled substance as defined in Minnesota Statutes, including medical cannabis, regardless of enrollment in the state registry program.
  - 2. "Drug and Alcohol Testing," "Drug or Alcohol Testing," and "Drug or Alcohol Test" mean analysis of a body component sample by a testing laboratory that meets one of the criteria listed in Minnesota Statutes, section181.953, subdivision 1, for the purpose of measuring the presence or absence of drugs, alcohol, or their metabolites in the sample tested.
  - 3. "Other Employees" means any persons, independent contractors, or persons working for an independent contractor who perform services for the school district for compensation, either full time or part time, in whatever form, except for persons whose positions require a commercial driver's license, and includes both professional and nonprofessional personnel. Persons whose positions require a commercial driver's license are primarily governed by the

provisions of the school district's drug and alcohol testing policy relating to school bus drivers (Section III.). To the extent that the drug and alcohol testing of persons whose positions require a commercial driver's license is not mandated by federal law and regulations, such testing shall be governed by Section IV. of this policy and the drivers shall fall within this definition of "other employees."

- 4. "Job Applicant" means a person, independent contractor, or person working for an independent contractor who applies to become an employee of the school district in a position that does not require a commercial driver's license, and includes a person who has received a job offer made contingent on the person's passing drug or alcohol testing. Job applicants for positions requiring a commercial driver's license are governed by the provisions of the school district's drug and alcohol testing policy relating to school bus drivers (Section III.).
- 5. "Positive Test Result" means a finding of the presence of drugs, alcohol, or their metabolites in the sample tested in levels at or above the threshold detection levels contained in the standards of one of the programs listed in Minnesota Statutes, section 181.953, subdivision 1.
- 6. "Random Selection Basis" means a mechanism for selection of employees that:
  - a. results in an equal probability that any employee from a group of employees subject to the selection mechanism will be selected; and
  - b. does not give the school district discretion to waive the selection of any employee selected under the mechanism.
- 7. "Reasonable Suspicion" means a basis for forming a belief based on specific facts and rational inferences drawn from those facts.
- 8. "Safety-Sensitive Position" means a job, including any supervisory or management position, in which an impairment caused by drug or alcohol usage would threaten the health or safety of any person.
- D. <u>Right of Other Employee or Job Applicant to Refuse Drug and Alcohol Testing and</u> <u>Consequences of Such Refusal</u>
  - 1. Right of Other Employee or Job Applicant to Refuse Drug and Alcohol Testing

Any employee or job applicant whose position does not require a commercial driver's license has the right to refuse drug and alcohol testing subject to the provisions contained in Paragraphs 2. and 3. of Section IV.D.

2. <u>Consequences of an Employee's Refusal to Undergo Drug and Alcohol Testing</u>

Any employee in a position that does not require a commercial driver's license who refuses to undergo drug and alcohol testing in the circumstances set out in the Random Testing, Reasonable Suspicion Testing, and Treatment Program Testing provisions of this policy may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including immediate discharge.

3. <u>Consequences of a Job Applicant's Refusal to Undergo Drug and Alcohol</u> <u>Testing</u>

Any job applicant for a position which does not require a commercial driver's license who refuses to undergo drug and alcohol testing pursuant to the Job Applicant Testing provision of this policy shall not be employed.

#### E. <u>Reliability and Fairness Safeguards</u>

#### 1. <u>Pretest Notice</u>

Before requesting an employee or job applicant whose position does not require a commercial driver's license to undergo drug or alcohol testing, the school district shall provide the employee or job applicant with a Pretest Notice in the form of Attachment D to this policy on which to acknowledge that the employee or job applicant has received the school district's drug and alcohol testing policy.

#### 2. <u>Notice of Test Results</u>

Within three (3) working days after receipt of a test result report from the testing laboratory, the school district shall inform in writing an employee or job applicant who has undergone drug or alcohol testing of a negative test result on an initial screening test or of a negative or positive test result on a confirmatory test.

#### 3. <u>Notice of and Right to Test Result Report</u>

Within three (3) working days after receipt of a test result report from the testing laboratory, the school district shall inform in writing, an employee or job applicant who has undergone drug or alcohol testing of the employee or job applicant's right to request and receive from the school district a copy of the test result report on any drug or alcohol test.

#### 4. <u>Notice of and Right to Explain Positive Test Result</u>

- a. If an employee or job applicant has a positive test result on a confirmatory test, the school district shall provide the individual with notice of the test results and, at the same time, written notice of the right to explain the results and to submit additional information.
- b. The school district may request that the employee or job applicant indicate any over-the-counter or prescription medication that the individual is currently taking or has recently taken and any other information relevant to the reliability of, or explanation for, a positive test result.
- c. The employee may present verification of enrollment in the medical cannabis patient registry as part of the employee's explanation.
- d. Use of nonintoxicating cannabinoids or edible cannabinoid products is not a legitimate medical explanation for a confirmed positive test result for marijuana. MROs will verify a drug test confirmed as positive, even if an employee claims to have only used nonintoxicating cannabinoids or edible cannabinoid product.
- e. Within three (3) working days after notice of a positive test result on a confirmatory test, an employee or job applicant may submit information (in addition to any information already submitted) to the school district to explain that result.
- 5. <u>Notice of and Right to Request Confirmatory Retests</u>
  - a. If an employee or job applicant has a positive test result on a confirmatory test, the school district shall provide the individual with

notice of the test results and, at the same time, written notice of the right to request a confirmatory retest of the original sample at his or her expense.

- b. An employee or job applicant may request a confirmatory retest of the original sample at his or her own expense after notice of a positive test result on a confirmatory test. Within five (5) working days after notice of the confirmatory test result, the employee or job applicant shall notify the school district in writing of his or her intention to obtain a confirmatory retest. Within three (3) working days after receipt of the notice, the school district shall notify the original testing laboratory that the employee or job applicant has requested the laboratory to conduct the confirmatory retest or to transfer the sample to another laboratory licensed under Minnesota Statutes, section 181.953, subdivision 1 to conduct the confirmatory retest. The original testing laboratory shall ensure that appropriate chain-of-custody procedures are followed during transfer of the sample to the other laboratory. The confirmatory retest must use the same drug or alcohol threshold detection levels as used in the original confirmatory test. If the confirmatory retest does not confirm the original positive test result, no adverse personnel action based on the original confirmatory test may be taken against the employee or job applicant.
- 6. If an employee or job applicant has a positive test result on a confirmatory test, the school district, at the time of providing notice of the test results, shall also provide written notice to inform the individual of other rights provided under Sections F. or G., below, whichever is applicable.

Attachments E and F to this policy provide the Notices described in Paragraphs 2. through 6. of this Section E.

- F. <u>Discharge and Discipline of Employees Whose Positions Do Not Require a Commercial</u> <u>Driver's License</u>
  - 1. The school district may not discharge, discipline, discriminate against, request, or require rehabilitation of an employee on the basis of a positive test result from an initial screening test that has not been verified by a confirmatory test.
  - 2. In the case of a positive test result on a confirmatory test, the employee shall be subject to discipline which includes, but is not limited to, immediate suspension without pay and immediate discharge, pursuant to the provisions of this policy.
  - 3. The school district may not discharge an employee for whom a positive test result on a confirmatory test was the first such result for the employee on a drug or alcohol test requested by the school district, unless the following conditions have been met:
    - a. The school district has first given the employee an opportunity to participate in, at the employee's own expense or pursuant to coverage under an employee benefit plan, either a drug or alcohol counseling or rehabilitation program, whichever is more appropriate, as determined by the school district after consultation with a certified chemical abuse counselor or a physician trained in the diagnosis and treatment of chemical dependency; and
    - b. The employee has either refused to participate in the counseling or rehabilitation program or has failed to successfully complete the program, as evidenced by withdrawal from the program before its

completion or by a positive test result on a confirmatory test after completion of the program.

- 4. Notwithstanding Paragraph 1., the school district may temporarily suspend the tested employee or transfer that employee to another position at the same rate of pay pending the outcome of the confirmatory test and, if requested, the confirmatory retest, provided the school district believes that it is reasonably necessary to protect the health or safety of the employee, co-employees or the public. An employee who has been suspended without pay must be reinstated with back pay if the outcome of the confirmatory test or requested confirmatory retest is negative.
- 5. The school district may not discharge, discipline, discriminate against, request, or require rehabilitation of an employee on the basis of medical history information or the employee's status as a patient enrolled in the medical cannabis registry program revealed to the school district, unless the employee was under an affirmative duty to provide the information before, upon, or after hire, or failing to do so would violate federal law or regulations or cause the school district to lose money or licensing-related benefit under federal law or regulations.

6. The school district may not discriminate against any employee in termination, discharge, or any term of condition of employment or otherwise penalize an employee based upon an employee registered patient's positive drug test for cannabis components or metabolites, unless the employee used, possessed, or was impaired by medical cannabis on school district property during the hours of employment.

7. An employee must be given access to information in the individual's personnel file relating to positive test result reports and other information acquired in the drug and alcohol testing process and conclusions drawn from and actions taken based on the reports or other acquired information.

#### G. <u>Withdrawal of Job Offer for an Applicant for a Position That Does Not Require a</u> <u>Commercial Driver's License</u>

If a job applicant has received a job offer made contingent on the applicant's passing drug and alcohol testing, the school district may not withdraw the offer based on a positive test result from an initial screening test that has not been verified by a confirmatory test. In the case of a positive test result on a confirmatory test, the school district may withdraw the job offer.

#### H. <u>Chain-of-Custody Procedures</u>

The school district has established its own reliable chain-of-custody procedures to ensure proper record keeping, handling, labeling, and identification of the samples to be tested. The procedures require the following:

- 1. Possession of a sample must be traceable to the employee from whom the sample is collected, from the time the sample is collected through the time the sample is delivered to the laboratory;
- 2. The sample must always be in the possession of, must always be in view of, or must be placed in a secure area by a person authorized to handle the sample;
- 3. A sample must be accompanied by a written chain-of-custody record; and
- 4. Individuals relinquishing or accepting possession of the sample must record the time the possession of the sample was transferred and must sign and date

the chain-of-custody record at the time of transfer.

#### I. <u>Privacy, Confidentiality and Privilege Safeguards</u>

#### 1. <u>Privacy Limitations</u>

A laboratory may only disclose to the school district test result data regarding the presence or absence of drugs, alcohol or their metabolites in a sample tested.

#### 2. <u>Confidentiality Limitations</u>

With respect to employees and job applicants, test result reports and other information acquired in the drug or alcohol testing process are private data on individuals as that phrase is defined in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, and may not be disclosed by the school district or laboratory to another employer or to a third-party individual, governmental agency, or private organization without the written consent of the employee or job applicant tested.

#### 3. <u>Exceptions to Privacy and Confidentiality Disclosure Limitations</u>

Notwithstanding Paragraphs 1. and 2., evidence of a positive test result on a confirmatory test may be: (1) used in an arbitration proceeding pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement, an administrative hearing under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 43A or other applicable state or local law, or a judicial proceeding, provided that information is relevant to the hearing or proceeding; (2) disclosed to any federal agency or other unit of the United States government as required under federal law, regulation or order, or in accordance with compliance requirements of a federal government contract; and (3) disclosed to a substance abuse treatment facility for the purpose of evaluation or treatment of the employee.

#### 4. <u>Privilege</u>

Positive test results from the school district drug or alcohol testing program may not be used as evidence in a criminal action against the employee or job applicant tested.

#### J. <u>Notice of Testing Policy to Affected Employees</u>

The school district shall provide written notice of this drug and alcohol testing policy to all affected employees upon adoption of the policy, to a previously non-affected employee upon transfer to an affected position under the policy, and to a job applicant upon hire and before any testing of the applicant if the job offer is made contingent on the applicant's passing drug and alcohol testing. Affected employees and applicants will acknowledge receipt of this written notice in the form of Attachment G to this policy.

#### V. POSTING

The school district shall post notice in an appropriate and conspicuous location on its premises that it has adopted a drug and alcohol testing policy and that copies of the policy are available for inspection during regular business hours by its employees or job applicants in its personnel office or other suitable locations.

Legal References:	Minn. Stat. Ch. 13 (Minnesota Government Data Practices Act)
	Minn. Stat. Ch. 43A (State Personnel Management)
	Minn. Stat. § 151.72 (Sale of Certain Cannabinoid Products)

Minn. Stat. § 152.01 (Definitions) Minn. Stat. § 152.22 (Definitions; Medical Cannabis) Minn. Stat. § 152.23 (Limitations; Medical Cannabis) Minn. Stat. § 152.32 (Protections for Registry Program Participation) Minn. Stat. § 176.011, subd. 16 (Definitions; Personal Injury) Minn. Stat. §§ 181.950-181.957 (Drug and Alcohol Testing in the Workplace) Minn. Stat. § 221.031 (Motor Carrier Rules) 49 U.S.C. § 31306 (Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991) 49 U.S.C. 31306a (National Clearinghouse for Controlled Substance and Alcohol Test Results of Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators) 49 U.S.C. § 521(b) (Civil and Criminal Penalties for Violations) 49 C.F.R. Parts 40 and 382 (Department of Transportation Rules Implementing Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 403 (Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of School Cross-References: District Employees)

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 406 (Public and Private Personnel Data) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 417 (Chemical Use and Abuse)

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 418 (Drug-Free Workplace/Drug-Free School)

Adopted:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Revised:\_\_\_\_\_\_

#### 418 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE/DRUG-FREE SCHOOL

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to maintain a safe and healthful environment for employees and students by prohibiting the use of alcohol, toxic substances, medical cannabis, nonintoxicating cannabinoids, edible cannabinoid products, and controlled substances without a physician's prescription.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. Use or possession of alcohol, toxic substances, medical cannabis, nonintoxicating cannabinoids, edible cannabinoid products, and controlled substances before, during, or after school hours, at school or in any other school location, is prohibited as general policy. Paraphernalia associated with controlled substances is prohibited.
- B. A violation of this policy occurs when any student, teacher, administrator, other school district personnel, or member of the public uses or possesses alcohol, toxic substances, medical cannabis, nonintoxicating cannabinoids, edible cannabinoid products, or controlled substances in any school location.
- C. The school district will act to enforce this policy and to discipline or take appropriate action against any student, teacher, administrator, school personnel, or member of the public who violates this policy.

#### III. DEFINITIONS

- A. "Alcohol" includes any alcoholic beverage containing more than one-half of one percent alcohol by volume.
- B. "Controlled substances" include narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic drugs, amphetamines, barbiturates, marijuana, anabolic steroids, or any other controlled substance as defined in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act, 21 United States Code section 812, including analogues and look-alike drugs.
- C. "Edible cannabinoid product" means any product that is intended to be eaten or consumed as a beverage by humans, contains a cannabinoid in combination with food ingredients, and is not a drug.
- D. "Nonintoxicating cannabinoid" means substances extracted from certified hemp plants that do not produce intoxicating effects when consumed by any route of administration.
- E. "Medical cannabis" means any species of the genus cannabis plant, or any mixture or preparation of them, including whole plant extracts and resins, and is delivered in the form of: (1) liquid, including, but not limited to, oil; (2) pill; (3) vaporized delivery method with use of liquid or oil but which does not require the use of dried leaves or plant form; (4) combustion with use of dried raw cannabis; or (5) any other method approved by the commissioner.
- F. "Possess" means to have on one's person, in one's effects, or in an area subject to one's control.
- G. "School location" includes any school building or on any school premises; in any

school-owned vehicle or in any other school-approved vehicle used to transport students to and from school or school activities; off school property at any school-sponsored or school-approved activity, event, or function, such as a field trip or athletic event, where students are under the jurisdiction of the school district; or during any period of time such employee is supervising students on behalf of the school district or otherwise engaged in school district business.

- H. "Toxic substances" includes: (1) glue, cement, aerosol paint, containing toluene, benzene, xylene, amyl nitrate, butyl nitrate, nitrous oxide, or containing other aromatic hydrocarbon solvents, but does not include glue, cement, or paint contained in a packaged kit for the construction of a model automobile, airplane, or similar item; (2) butane or a butane lighter; or (3) any similar substance declared to be toxic to the central nervous system and to have a potential for abuse, by a rule adopted by the commissioner of health.
- I. "Use" includes to sell, buy, manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, use, or be under the influence of alcohol, toxic substances, medical cannabis, nonintoxicating cannabinoids, edible cannabinoid products, and/or controlled substances, whether or not for the purpose of receiving remuneration or consideration.

### IV. EXCEPTIONS

- A. A violation of this policy does not occur when a person brings onto a school location, for such person's own use, a controlled substance, except medical cannabis, which has a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States and the person has a physician's prescription for the substance. The person shall comply with the relevant procedures of this policy.
- B. A violation of this policy does not occur when a person possesses an alcoholic beverage in a school location when the possession is within the exceptions of Minnesota Statutes section 624.701, subdivision 1a (experiments in laboratories; pursuant to a temporary license to sell liquor issued under Minnesota laws or possession after the purchase from such a temporary license holder).

#### V. PROCEDURES

- A. Students who have a prescription from a physician for medical treatment with a controlled substance, except medical cannabis, must comply with the school district's student medication policy.
- B. Employees who have a prescription from a physician for medical treatment with a controlled substance, except medical cannabis, are permitted to possess such controlled substance and associated necessary paraphernalia, such as an inhaler or syringe. The employee must inform his or her supervisor. The employee may be required to provide a copy of the prescription.
- C. Each employee shall be provided with written notice of this Drug-Free Workplace/Drug-Free School policy and shall be required to acknowledge that he or she has received the policy.
- D. Employees are subject to the school district's drug and alcohol testing policies and procedures.
- E. Members of the public are not permitted to possess controlled substances in a school location except with the express permission of the superintendent.
- F. No person is permitted to possess or use medical cannabis on a school bus or van; or on the grounds of any preschool or primary or secondary school; or on the grounds of any child care facility. This prohibition includes (1) vaporizing or combusting medical

cannabis on any form of public transportation where the vapor or smoke could be inhaled by a minor child or in any public place, including indoor or outdoor areas used by or open to the general public or place of employment; and (2) operating, navigating, or being in actual physical control of any motor vehicle or working on transportation property, equipment or facilities while under the influence of medial cannabis.

G. Possession of alcohol on school grounds pursuant to the exceptions of Minnesota Statutes section 624.701, subdivision 1a, shall be by permission of the school board only. The applicant shall apply for permission in writing and shall follow the school board procedures for placing an item on the agenda.

### VI. ENFORCEMENT

- A. <u>Students</u>
  - 1. Students may be required to participate in programs and activities that provide education against the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, smokeless tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, and nonintoxicating cannabinoids, edible cannabinoid products,
  - 2. Students may be referred to drug or alcohol assistance or rehabilitation programs; school based mental health services, mentoring and counseling, including early identification of mental health symptoms, drug use and violence and appropriate referral to direct individual or group counselling service. which may be provide by school based mental health services providers; and/or referral to law enforcement officials when appropriate.
  - 3. A student who violates the terms of this policy shall be subject to discipline in accordance with the school district's discipline policy. Such discipline may include suspension or expulsion from school.

### B. <u>Employees</u>

- 1. As a condition of employment in any federal grant, each employee who is engaged either directly or indirectly in performance of a federal grant shall abide by the terms of this policy and shall notify his or her supervisor in writing of his or her conviction of any criminal drug statute for a violation occurring in any of the places listed above on which work on a school district federal grant is performed, no later than five (5) calendar days after such conviction. Conviction means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the federal or state criminal drug statutes.
- 2. An employee who violates the terms of this policy is subject to disciplinary action, including nonrenewal, suspension, termination, or discharge as deemed appropriate by the school board.
- 3. In addition, any employee who violates the terms of this policy may be required to satisfactorily participate in a drug and/or alcohol abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved by the school district. Any employee who fails to satisfactorily participate in and complete such a program is subject to nonrenewal, suspension, or termination as deemed appropriate by the school board.
- 4. Sanctions against employees, including nonrenewal, suspension, termination, or discharge shall be pursuant to and in accordance with applicable statutory

authority, collective bargaining agreements, and school district policies.

C. <u>The Public</u>

A member of the public who violates this policy shall be informed of the policy and asked to leave. If necessary, law enforcement officials will be notified and asked to provide an escort.

Legal References:	<ul> <li>Minn. Stat. § 121A.22 (Administration of Drugs and Medicine)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 121A.40-§ 121A.56 (Pupil Fair Dismissal Act)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 151.72 (Sale of Certain Cannabinoid Products)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 152.22, subd. 6 (Definitions; Medical Cannabis)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 152.23 (Limitations; Medical Cannabis)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 340A.101 (Definitions; Alcoholic Beverage)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 340A.403 (3.2 Percent Malt Liquor Licenses)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 340A.404 (Intoxicating Liquor; On-Sale Licenses)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 609.684 (Abuse of Toxic Substances)</li> <li>Minn. Stat. § 624.701 (Alcohol in Certain Buildings or Grounds)</li> <li>20 U.S.C. § 7101-7122 (Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants)</li> <li>21 U.S.C. § 812 (Schedules of Controlled Substances)</li> <li>41 U.S.C. §§ 1308.11-1308.15 (Controlled Substances)</li> <li>34 C.F.R. Part 84 (Government-Wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace)</li> </ul>
Cross References:	MSBA/MASA Model Policy 403 (Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of School District Employees) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 416 (Drug and Alcohol Testing) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 417 (Chemical Use and Abuse) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 419 (Tobacco-Free Environment; Possession and use of Tobacco, Tobacco-Related Devices, and Electronic Delivery Devices; Vaping Awareness and Prevention Instruction) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 506 (Student Discipline) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 516 (Student Medication)

# ST. ANTHONY NEW BRIGHTON MEMORANDUM

TO:	ISD 282 School Board
FROM:	Renee Corneille, Superintendent
SUBJECT:	Calendar Committee - Goal: Two Year School Calendar
DATE:	Nov. 1, 2022

### Context:

In the 2018-19 School year a calendar committee was created. This committee was responsible for analyzing feedback from all stakeholder groups to create a calendar for ISD282. The committee created the following parameters and values:

- The school calendar must ensure instructional days and hours meet state guidelines:
  - Minnesota requires school districts to have 165 days in each school year.
- The school calendar must include additional time for staff to engage in professional learning:
- The school calendar must include time for families to celebrate holidays together without concern over student's missing school:
  - One of our guiding principles as a school district is to create equitable educational experiences. School calendars are typically built around Christian holidays, and we recognize equitable experiences means creating time for families to celebrate other holidays too.

In the 2021-22 school year, the district negotiated a contract with the SAVEA (teachers' union) that included the following language regarding school calendar and teacher work days.

- By February 1st of the odd numbered years, a committee made up of an equal number of representatives chosen by the district and Union representatives chosen by the Union will develop the 185/187 school year calendar for the next TWO (2) school years. This calendar will be mutually agreed upon by the Union and school board by a vote of 2-0.
  - Teacher contract days of 185 will be made up of the following: student contact days; professional development days; conference days;
communication days; *teacher planning, preparation, collaboration, grading days;* or another agreed upon day / time.

- The normal school year for full-time and part-time teachers shall be one hundred eighty-five (185) duty days for teachers who have taught in the School District the previous year and one hundred eighty-seven (187) duty days for teachers who have not taught in the School District the previous year.
- In the event that a consensus cannot be reached, the teacher contract days will default to one-hundred seventy(170) student contact days; five (5) pre-school year workshop days with the option to flex one (1) day; two (2) conference / parent communication days; three (3) teacher planning / preparation / collaboration / grading days; and five (5) Professional Development days; of the five (5) professional development days, three (3) will be district-led professional development and two (2) will be individualized professional development approved by their building principal, if they submit a personalized learning plan by August 1st before the school year begins.
- Placement of teacher contract days on the school calendar (specified above) is still subject to the School Board approval.

During the 2021-22 school year, the district approved a one year calendar that met all the criteria listed above. A one year calendar was created vs. a two year calendar due to a short time frame. It was determined to create two year calendars starting the 2022-23 school year.

#### Current:

The goal will be to present to the school board - for approval - a calendar at the Regular School Board Meeting on Feb. 7, 2023 or Jan. 3, 2023.

A committee has been formed consisting of all bargaining units (except custodian), parents, board members, administrators, teaching and learning, and community services. The committee has scheduled meetings to accomplish this task and will commit to bringing a draft to the school board prior to approval.

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 101 Orig. 1995 Rev. 2004, 2017 Adopted January 17, 2017

### **101: LEGAL STATUS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### I. PURPOSE

A primary principle of this nation is that the public welfare demands an educated and informed citizenry. The power to provide for public education is a state function vested in the state legislature and delegated to local school districts. The purpose of this policy is to clarify the legal status of the school district.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

A. The school district is a public corporation subject to the control of the legislature, limited only by constitutional restrictions. The school district has been created for educational purposes.

B. The legislature has authority to prescribe the school district's powers and privileges, its boundaries and territorial jurisdictions.

C. The school district has only the powers conferred on it by the legislature; however, the school board's authority to govern, manage, and control the school district, to carry out its duties and responsibilities, and to conduct the business of the school district includes implied powers in addition to any specific powers granted by the legislature.

#### **III. RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER ENTITIES**

A. The school district is a separate legal entity.

B. The school district is coordinate with and not subordinate to the county(ies) in which it is situated.

C. The school district is not subservient to municipalities within its territory.

## IV. POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## A. Funds

1. The school district, through its school board, has authority to raise funds for the operation and maintenance of its schools and authority to manage and expend such funds, subject to applicable law.

2. The school district has wide discretion over the expenditure of funds under its control for public purposes, subject to the limitations provided by law.

3. School district officials occupy a fiduciary position in the management and expenditure of funds entrusted to them.

### **B. Raising Funds**

I. The school district shall, within the limitations specified by law, provide by levy of tax necessary funds for the conduct of schools, payment of indebtedness, and all proper expenses.

2. The school district may issue bonds in accordance with the provisions of Minn. Stat. Ch. 475, or other applicable law.

3. The school district has authority to accept gifts and donations for school purposes, subject to applicable law.

## C. Property

I. The school district may acquire property for school purposes. It may sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of property which is no longer needed for school purposes, subject to applicable law.

2. The school district shall manage its property in a manner consistent with the educational functions of the district.

3. The school district may permit the use of its facilities for community purposes which are not inconsistent with, nor disruptive of, its educational mission.

4. School district officials hold school property as trustees for the use and benefit of students, taxpayers, and the community.

## D. Contracts

I. The school district is empowered to enter into contracts in the manner provided by law.

2. The school district has authority to enter into installment purchases and leases with an option to purchase, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 465.71 or other applicable law.

3. The school district has authority to make contracts with other governmental agencies and units for the purchase, lease or other acquisition of equipment, supplies, materials, or other property, including real property.

4. The school district has authority to enter into employment contracts. As a public employer, the school district, through its designated representatives, shall meet and negotiate with public employees in an appropriate bargaining unit and enter into written collective bargaining agreements with such employees, subject to applicable law.

## E. Textbooks, Educational Materials, and Studies

1. The school district, through its school board and administrators, has the authority to determine what textbooks, educational materials, and studies should be pursued.

2. The school district shall establish and apply the school curriculum.

#### F. Actions and Suits

The school district has authority to sue and to be sued.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Const. art. 13, § 1 Minn. Stat. Ch. 123B (School Districts, Powers and Duties) Minn. Stat. Ch. 179A (Public Employment Labor Relations) Minn. Stat. \$ 465.035 (Conveyance or Lease of Land) Minn. Stat. §§ 465.71; 471.345; 471.6161; 471.6175; 471.64 (Rights, Powers, Duties of Political Subdivisions) *Minnesota Association of Public Schools v. Hanson*, 287 Minn. 415, 178 N.W.2d 846 (1970) *Independent School District No. 581 v. Mattheis*, 275 Minn. 383, 147 N.W.2d 374 (1966) Village of Blaine v. Independent School District No. 12, 272 Minn. 343, 138 N.W.2d 32 (1965) Huffmnan v. School Board, 230 Minn. 289, 41 N.W.2d 455 (1950) State v. Lakeside Land Co., 71 Minn. 283, 73 N.W.970 (1898)

#### **Cross References:**

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 201 (Legal Status of School Board) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 603 (Curriculum Development) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 604 (Instructional Curriculum) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 606 (Textbooks and Instructional Materials) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 704 (Development and Maintenance of an Inventory of Fixed Assets and a Fixed Asset Accounting System) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 705 (Investments) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 706 (Acceptance of Gifts) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 801 (Equal Access to School Facilities) MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 3, Employee Negotiations MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 13, School Law Bulletin "F" (Contract and Bidding Procedures) Adopted: January 9, 2012 Revised: October 7, 2014 Revised: December 1, 2020

## 104 SCHOOL DISTRICT VISION/MISSION STATEMENT AND OPERATIONAL GOALS

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a clear statement of the purpose for which the school district exists.

#### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

The school board believes that a mission statement should be adopted. The mission statement should be based on the beliefs and values of the community, should direct any change effort and should be the basis on which decisions are made. The school board, on behalf of and with extensive participation by the community, should develop a consensus among its members regarding the nature of the enterprise the school board governs, the purposes it serves, the constituencies it should consider, including student representation, and the results it intends to produce.

## III. VISION/MISSION STATEMENT AND SCHOOL BOARD OPERATIONAL GOALS

#### <u>Vision</u>

We are committed to the success of all learners. We will engage, inspire, challenge and support each learner through innovation and collaboration.

#### **Mission**

The mission of the St. Anthony-New Brighton School District is to educate, prepare and inspire a community of life-long learners in our small, caring environment.

#### <u>Values</u>

Academics, Accountable, Challenging, Character, Community, Creative, Diverse, Engaged, Equity, Global, Inclusive, Innovative, Integrity, Relevant, Respect, Responsible, Supportive, and Welcoming.

#### **Strategic Objectives**

Students – Staff – Community

We are guided by our strategic directions of high expectations matched with high support for students and staff, and strong communication and relationships with our families and community.

#### IV. REVIEW

The school board will review the school district's mission and vision every two years, especially when members of the board change.

The school board will conduct a comprehensive review of the mission, including the beliefs and values of the community, every five to seven years.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 120B.11 (School District Process for Reviewing Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Achievement) Minn. Rule Parts 3501.0010-3501.0180 Minn. Rule Parts 3501.0200-3501.0270

#### **Cross References**

March 5, 2019 MSBA/MASA Model Policy 202 Orig. 1995 Rev. 2011, 2019

#### **202 SCHOOL BOARD OFFICERS**

#### I. PURPOSE

School board officers are charged with the duty of carrying out the responsibilities entrusted to them for the care, management, and control of the public schools of the school district. The purpose of this policy is to delineate those responsibilities.

#### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

A. The school board shall meet annually and organize by selecting a chair, a clerk, a treasurer, and such other officers as determined by the school board. At its option, the school board may elect a vice-chair to serve in the temporary absence of the chair.

B. The school board shall appoint a superintendent who shall be an ex officio, nonvoting member of the school board.

#### **III. ORGANIZATION**

The school board shall meet annually on the first Monday in January, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and organize by selecting a chair, a clerk, a treasurer, and such other officers as determined by the school board. These officers shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected and qualify.

A. The persons who perform the duties of clerk and treasurer need not be members of the school board.

B. The school board by resolution may combine the duties of the offices of clerk and treasurer in a single person in the office of business affairs.

#### **IV. OFFICER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### <u>A. Chair</u>

1. The chair when present shall preside at all meetings of the school board, countersign all orders upon the treasurer for claims allowed

by the school board, represent the school district in all actions, and perform all duties a chair usually performs.

# 2. The chair may request or delegate presiding duties to the Vice Chair.

3. In case of absence, inability, or refusal of the clerk to draw orders for the payment of money authorized by a vote of the majority of the school board to be paid, the chair may draw the orders, or the office of the clerk may be declared vacant by the chair and treasurer and filled by appointment.

#### **B. Treasurer**

1. The treasurer shall deposit the funds of the school district in the official depository.

2. The treasurer shall make all reports which may be called for by the school board and perform all duties a treasurer usually performs.

3. In the event there are insufficient funds on hand to pay valid orders presented to the treasurer, the treasurer shall receive, endorse, and process the orders in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 123B.12.

#### <u>C. Clerk</u>

1. The clerk shall keep a record of all meetings in the books provided

2. Within three days after an election, the clerk shall notify all persons elected of their election.

3. On or before September 15 of each year, the clerk shall:

a. file with the school board a report of the revenues, expenditures, and balances in each fund for the preceding fiscal year.

b. make and transmit to the commissioner certified reports, showing:

(1) revenues and expenditures in detail, and such other financial information required by law, rule, or as may be called for by the commissioner;

(2) length of school term and enrollment and attendance by grades; and

(3) other items of information as called for by the commissioner.

4. The clerk shall enter into the clerk's record book copies of all reports and of the teachers' term reports, and of the proceedings of any meeting, and keep an itemized account of all expenses of the school district.

5. The clerk shall furnish to the county auditor, on or before September 30 of each year, an attested copy of the clerk's record, showing the amount of proposed property tax voted by the school district or the school board for school purposes.

6. The clerk shall draw and sign all orders upon the treasurer for the payment of money for bills allowed by the school board for salaries of officers and for teachers' wages and all claims, to be countersigned by the chair.

7. The clerk shall perform such duties as required by the Minnesota Election Law or other applicable laws relating to the conduct of elections.

8. The clerk shall perform the duties of the chair in the event of the chair's and the vice-chair's temporary absences.

## D. Vice-Chair [Optional]

- 1. The vice-chair shall perform the duties of the chair in the event of the chair's temporary absence.
- 2. The vice-chair shall have the option to preside over work sessions, regular sessions, or professional development at the request or direction of the chair.

#### E. Superintendent

1. The superintendent shall be an ex officio, nonvoting member of the school board.

2. The superintendent shall perform the following:

a. visit and supervise the schools in the school district, report and make recommendations about their condition when advisable or on request by the school board;

b. recommend to the school board employment and dismissal of teachers;

c. annually evaluate each school principal assigned responsibility for supervising a school building within the district;

d. superintend school grading practices and examinations for promotions;

e. make reports required by the commissioner; and

f. perform other duties prescribed by the school board.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 123B.12 (Finance) Minn. Stat. § 123B.14 (Officers) Minn. Stat. § 123B.143 (Superintendent) Minn. Stat. § 126C.17 (Referendum Revenue) Minn. Stat. Ch. 205A (School District Elections)

#### **Cross References:**

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 101 (Legal Status of the School District) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 201 (Legal Status of the School Board) SBA/MASA Model Policy 203 (Operation of the School Board – Governing Rules)

MSBA Service Manual, Chapter 1, School District Governance, Powers and Duties

February 5, 2019 MSBA/MASA Model Policy 203.6 Orig. 1997Rev. 1999, 2019

#### **203.6 CONSENT AGENDAS**

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to allow the use of a consent agenda.

#### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

In order for a more efficient administration of school board meetings, the school board may elect to use a consent agenda for the passage of noncontroversial items or items of a similar nature.

#### **III. CONSENT AGENDAS**

A. The superintendent, in consultation with the school board chair, may place items on the consent agenda. By using a consent agenda, the school board has consented to the consideration of certain items as a group under one motion.

Should a consent agenda be used, an appropriate amount of review time will be allowed upon request, as long as the request is made prior to the vote on the consent agenda.

B. Consent items are those which usually do not require discussion or explanation prior to school board action, are noncontroversial and/or similar in content, or are those items which have already been discussed and/or explained and do not require further discussion or explanation.

Such agenda items might include ministerial tasks such as, but not limited to, the approval of the agenda, approval of previous minutes, approval of bills, approval of reports, etc. These items might also include similar groups of decisions such as, but not limited to, approval of staff contracts, approval of maintenance details for the school district buildings and grounds or approval of various schedules.

C. Items shall be removed from the consent agenda by a timely request by an individual school board member for independent consideration. A request is timely if made prior to the vote on the consent agenda. The request does not require a second or a vote by the school board. An item removed from the consent agenda will then be discussed and acted on separately immediately following the consideration of the consent agenda.

D. Consent agenda items are approved en masse by one vote of the school board. The consent agenda items shall be separately recorded in the minutes.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 123B.09, Subd. 7 (School Board Powers)

#### Cross References:

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 203.2 (Order of the Regular School Board Meeting) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 203.5 (School Board Meeting Agenda) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 204 (School Board Meeting Minutes) March 5, 2019 MSBA/MASA Model Policy 212 Orig. 1995 Rev. 2005, 2019

#### 212 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER DEVELOPMENT

#### I. PURPOSE

In recognition of the need for continuing inservice training and development for its members, the purpose of this policy is to encourage the members of the school board to participate in professional development activities designed for them so that they may perform their responsibilities.

#### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

A. New school board members will be provided the opportunity and encouragement to attend the orientation and training sessions sponsored by the Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA). School board members shall receive training in school finance and management developed in consultation with MSBA.

B. All school board members are encouraged to participate in school board and related workshops and activities sponsored by local, state, and national school boards associations, as well as in the activities of other educational groups.

C. School board members are expected to report back to the school board with materials of interest gathered at the various meetings and workshops.

D. The school board will reimburse the necessary expenses of all school board members who attend meetings and conventions pertaining to school activities and the objectives of the school board, within the approved policy and budget allocations of the school district relating to the reimbursement of expenses involving the attendance at workshops and conventions.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 123B.09, Subd. 2 (School Board Member Training)

#### **Cross References:**

MSBA/MASA Model Policy 214 (Out-of-State Travel by School Board Members) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 412 (Expense Reimbursement) Orig. 1995, Rev. 1995, 2002, 2017 Adopted December 19, 2017

#### **306 ADMINISTRATOR CODE OF ETHICS**

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the requirements of the school board that school administrators adhere to the standards of ethics and professional conduct in this policy and Minnesota law.

## **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

A. An educational administrator's professional behavior must conform to an ethical code. The code must be idealistic and at the same time practical, so that it can apply reasonably to all educational administrators. The administrator acknowledges that the schools belong to the public they serve for the purpose of providing educational opportunities to all. However, the administrator assumes responsibility for providing professional leadership in the school and community. This responsibility requires the administrator to maintain standards of exemplary professional conduct. It must be recognized that the administrator's actions will be viewed and appraised by the community, professional associates, and students. To these ends, the administrator must subscribe to the following standards.

## **B. The Educational Administrator:**

1. Makes the well-being of students the fundamental value of all decision making and actions.

2. Fulfills professional responsibilities with honesty and integrity.

3. Supports the principle of due process and protects the civil and human rights of all individuals.

4. Obeys local, state, and national laws and does not knowingly join or support organizations that advocate, directly or indirectly, the overthrow of the government.

5. Implements the school board's policies.

6. Pursues appropriate measures to correct those laws, policies, and 306-2 regulations that are not consistent with sound educational goals.

7. Avoids using positions for personal gain through political, social, religious, economic, or other influence.

8. Accepts academic degrees or professional certification only from duly accredited institutions.

9. Maintains the standards and seeks to improve the effectiveness of the profession through research and continuing professional development.

10. Honors all contracts until fulfillment, release, or dissolution is mutually agreed upon by all parties to the contract.

11. Adheres to the Code of Ethics for School Administrators in Minnesota Rule.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 122A.14, Subd. 4 (Code of Ethics) Minn. Rules Part 3512.5200 (Code of Ethics for School Administrators)

#### **Cross References:**

#### 405 VETERAN'S PREFERENCE

[Note: The provisions of this policy substantially reflect legal requirements.]

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to comply with <u>the Minnesota law mandatingVeterans Preference Act (VPA)</u> which provides preference points for veterans applying for employment with political subdivisions, including school districts, as well as additional rights for veterans in the discharge process.

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- It is the<u>A</u>. The school district's policy <u>is</u> to comply with <u>Minnesota law</u><u>the VPA</u> regarding veteran's preference rights and <u>the mandating of mandated</u> preference points to veterans and spouses of deceased veterans or disabled veterans.
- VeteranB. The school district's policy is also to comply with the VPA requirement that no covered veteran may be removed from public employment except for incompetency or misconduct shown after a hearing upon due notice, upon stated charges, and in writing. This paragraph does not apply to the position of teacher.
- <u>C.</u> <u>Veteran's</u> preference points will be applied pursuant to applicable law as follows:
  - 1. <u>There1.</u> <u>A credit of ten points</u> shall be added to the competitive open examination rating of a non\_disabled veteran, who so elects, <u>a credit of five points</u> provided that the veteran obtained a passing rating on the examination without the addition of the credit points.
  - There shall be added to the competitive open examination rating of a disabled veteran, who so elects, a credit of ten points provided that the veteran obtained a passing rating on the examination without the addition of the credit points.
  - There2.A credit of fifteen points shall be added to the competitive open examinationrating of a disabled veteran, who so elects, provided that the veteran obtained a passing<br/>rating on the examination without the addition of the credit points.
  - 3. A credit of five points shall be added to the competitive promotional examination rating of a disabled veteran, who so elects, a credit of five points provided that (a) the veteran obtained a passing rating on the examination without the addition of the credit points and (b) the veteran is applying for a first promotion after securing public employment.
  - 4. A preference may be used by the surviving spouse of a deceased veteran and by the spouse of a disabled veteran who, because of the disability, is unable to qualify.
- <u>D.</u> Eligibility for and application of veteran's preference <u>and</u>, the definition of a veteran<u>, and the</u> <u>definition of a disabled veteran</u> for <u>PUIPOSepurposes</u> of <u>preference</u>this policy will be pursuant to <u>applicable lawthe VPA</u>.
- E. When notifying applicants that they have been accepted into the selection process, the school district shall notify applicants that they may elect to use veteran's preference.
- It is theThe school district's policy is to use a 100-point hiring system to enable allocation ofVeteranveteran's preference points. The school district may or may not use a 100-point hiring<br/>system for filling teaching positions. If a 100-point hiring system is not used for filling a teaching<br/>position, preference points will not be added, but all veteran applicants who have proper licensure<br/>for the teaching position will be granted an interview for the position.
- G. If the school district rejects a member of the finalist pool who has claimed veteran's preference,

the school district shall notify the finalist in writing of the reasons for the <u>rejection and file the</u> <u>notice with the school district's personnel officer.</u>

rejection and file the notice with the school district's personnel officer.

## [Note: A school district may require a veteran to complete an initial hiring probationary period as defined in Minn. Stat. § 43A.16.]

- H. In accordance with the VPA, no honorably discharged veteran shall be removed from a position of employment except for incompetency, misconduct, or good faith abolishment of position.
  - 1. Incompetency or misconduct must be shown after a hearing, upon due notice, upon stated charges, in writing.
  - A veteran must irrevocably elect to be governed either by the VPA or by arbitration provisions set forth in a collective bargaining agreement in the event of a discharge.
- I. The VPA and the provisions of this policy do not apply to the position of private secretary, superintendent, head of a department, or any person holding a strictly confidential relation to the school board or school district. The VPA and the provisions of this policy apply to teachers only with respect to the hiring process, as set forth in Paragraph F., above.
- Legal References: Minn. Stat. § 43A.11 (Veteran's Preference) Minn. Stat. § 197.455 (Veteran's Preference Applied) Minn. Stat. § 197.46 <del>of SOQ.</del> (Veterans Preference Act) Hall v. City of Champlin, 463 N.W.2d 502 (<u>Minn.</u> 1990) Young v. City of Duluth, 410 N.W.2d 27 (Minn. Ct. App. 1987)
- Cross References: MSBA/MASA Model Policy 401 (Equal Employment Opportunity) MSBA Research Bulletin 91-6

#### 406 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PERSONNEL DATA

[Note: The provisions of this policy accurately reflect the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act and are not discretionary in nature.]

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to school district employees as to the data the school district collects and maintains regarding its personnel.employees, volunteers, independent contractors, and applicants ("personnel").

#### **II.** GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- <u>A.</u> All data on individuals collected, created, received, maintained, or disseminated by the school district, which is classified by statute or federal law as public, shall be accessible to the public pursuant to the procedures established by the school district.
- **B.** All other data on individuals is private or confidential.

#### **III.** DEFINITIONS

- A. "Public" means that the data is available to anyone who requests it.
- B. "Private" means the data is availablenot public and is accessible only to the following: the subject of the data and to, as limited by any applicable state or federal law; individuals within the school district staffwhose work assignments reasonably require access; entities and agencies as determined by the responsible authority who need it are authorized by law to gain access to conduct the business that specific data; and entities or individuals given access by the express written direction of the school district\_data subject.
- <u>C.</u> "Confidential" means the data <u>isare</u> not <u>available</u>public and are not accessible</u> to the subject.
- D. "Parking space leasing data" means the following government data on an applicationapplicant for, or leaselessee of, a parking space: residence address, home telephone number, beginning and ending work hours, place of employment, location of parking space, and work telephone number.
- E. "Personnel data" means government data on individuals maintained because they are or were employees of the school district, applicants for employment, volunteers or independent contractors for the school district, or members of or applicants for an advisory board or commission. Personnel data include data submitted by an employee to the school district by an employee as part of an organized self-evaluation effort by the school district to request suggestions from all employees on ways to cut costs, make the school district more efficient, or to improve school district operations. An employee who is identified in a suggestion shall have access to all data in the suggestion except the identity of the employee making the suggestion.

- <u>F.</u> "Finalist" means an individual who is selected to be interviewed by the school board for a position.
- <u>G.</u> "Protected health information" means individually identifiable health information <u>as</u> <u>defined in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103, that is transmitted in by</u> electronic <u>media, maintained</u> <u>in electronic media, or transmitted or maintained in any other</u> form <u>or medium</u> by a <u>school district acting as a health care provider-, in connection with a transaction</u> <u>covered by 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162 and 164.</u> "Protected health information" excludes <u>individually identifiable</u> health information in education records covered by <u>FERPA and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act</u>, employment records held by a school district in its role as employer-; and records regarding a person who has been deceased for more than fifty (50) years..
- H. "Public officials" means business managers; human resource directors; athletic directors whose duties include at least fifty (50) percent of their time spent in administration, personnel, supervision, and evaluation; chief financial officers; directors; and individuals defined as superintendents and principals and in a charter school, individuals employed in comparable positions.

#### **IV.** PUBLIC PERSONNEL DATA

- <u>A.</u> The following information on <u>current and former</u> employees, <u>including</u> volunteers and independent contractors <u>of the school district</u>, is public:
  - <u>1.</u> name;
  - <u>2.</u> employee identification number, which may not be the employee's social soc
  - <u>3.</u> actual gross salary;
  - <u>4.</u> salary range;
  - 5. terms and conditions of employment relationship;
  - <u>6.</u> contract fees;
  - 7. \_\_\_\_actual gross pension;
  - 8. the value and nature of employer-paid fringe benefits;
  - 9. the basis for and the amount of any added remuneration, including expense reimbursement, in addition to salary;
  - <u>10.</u> job title;
  - <u>11.</u> bargaining unit;

- <u>12.</u> job description;
- <u>13.</u> education and training background;
- <u>14.</u> previous work experience;
- <u>15.</u> date of first and last employment;
- <u>16.</u> the existence and status of any complaints or charges against the employee, regardless of whether the complaint or charge resulted in a disciplinary action;
- <u>17.</u> the final disposition of any disciplinary action, as defined in <u>Minn. Stat.</u>
  <u>§Minnesota. Statutes, section</u> 13.43, <u>Subdsubdivision</u>. 2(b), together with the specific reasons for the action and data documenting the basis of the action, excluding data that would identify confidential sources who are employees of the school district;
- 18. the complete terms of any agreement settling any dispute arising out of the employment relationship, including superintendent buyout agreements, except that the agreement must include specific reasons for the agreement if it involves the payment of more than \$10,000 of public money, and such agreement may not have the purpose or effect of limiting access to or disclosure of personnel data or limiting the discussion of information or opinions related to personnel data;
- <u>19.</u> work location;
- <u>20.</u> work telephone number;
- <u>21.</u> badge number;
- <u>22.</u> work-related continuing education;
- 23. honors and awards received; and
- 24. payroll time sheets or other comparable data that are used only to account for employee's work time for payroll purposes, except to the extent that release of time sheet data would reveal the employee's reasons for the use of sick or other medical leave or other not public data.
- B. The following information on <u>current and former</u> applicants for employment or to an advisory board/ commission by the school district is public:
  - <u>1.</u> veteran status;
  - <u>2.</u> relevant test scores;
  - <u>3.</u> rank on eligible list;

- <u>4.</u> job history;
- <u>5.</u> education and training; and
- <u>6.</u> work availability.
- C. Names of applicants are private data except when certified as eligible for appointment to a vacancy or when they become applicants are considered by the school board to be finalists for an public employment position.
- D. Applicants for appointment to a public body.
  - 1.Data about applicants for appointment to a public body collected by the schooldistrict as a result of the applicant's application for employment are privatedata on individuals except that the following are public:
    - <u>a. name;</u>
    - b. city of residence, except when the appointment has a residency requirement that requires the entire address to be public;
    - c. education and training;
    - d. employment history;
    - e. volunteer work;
    - f. awards and honors;
    - g. prior government service;
    - h. any data required to be provided or that are voluntarily provided in an application for appointment to a multimember agency pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 15.0597; and
    - i. veteran status.
  - 2. Once an individual is appointed to a public body, the following additional items of data are public:
    - a. residential address;
    - b. either a telephone number or electronic mail address where the appointee can be reached, or both at the request of the appointee;
    - c. first and last dates of service on the public body;
    - d. the existence and status of any complaints or charges against an appointee; and

- e. upon completion of an investigation of a complaint or charge against an appointee, the final investigative report is public, unless access to the data would jeopardize an active investigation.
- 3. Notwithstanding paragraph 2., any electronic mail address or telephone number provided by a public body for use by an appointee shall be public. An appointee may use an electronic mail address or telephone number provided by the public body as the designated electronic mail address or telephone number at which the appointee can be reached.

A. <u>E.</u> Regardless of whether there has been a final disposition as defined in Minn. Stat.

§Minnesota Statutes, section 13.43, Subd.subdivision 2(b), upon completion of an investigation of a complaint or charge against a public official, as defined in Minn. Stat. §Minnesota Statutes, section 13.43, Subd.subdivision 2(e), or if a public official resigns or is terminated from employment while the complaint or charge is pending, all data relating to the complaint or charge are public, unless access to the data would jeopardize an active investigation or reveal confidential sources.Data relating to a complaint or charge against a public official is public only if:

- 1.the complaint or charge results in disciplinary action or the employee resigns<br/>or is terminated from employment while the complaint or charge is pending;<br/>oror
- 2. potential legal claims arising out of the conduct that is the subject of the complaint or charge are released as part of a settlement agreement

Data that is classified as private under another law is not made public by this provision.

#### **V. PRIVATE PERSONNEL DATA**

- <u>A.</u> All other personnel data <u>not listed in Section IV</u> are private <del>and will only be shared</del> with school district staff whose work requires such access. Private data will not be otherwise released unless authorized by law or by the employee's informed written consent.
- B. Data pertaining to an employee's dependents are private data on individuals.
- <u>C.</u> Data created, collected, or maintained by the school district to administer employee assistance programs are private.
- D. Parking space leasing data with regard to data on individuals are private.
- E. An individual's checking account number is private when submitted to a government entity.
- <u>F.</u> Personnel data may be disseminated to labor organizations to the extent the school 406-5

district<u>responsible authority</u> determines it is the dissemination is necessary for the labor organization to conduct its business or when <u>elections</u>, notify employees of fair share fee assessments and implement the provisions of Minnesota Statutes chapters 179 and 179A. Personnel data shall be disseminated to labor organizations and the Bureau of Mediation Services ("BMS") to the extent the dissemination is ordered or authorized by the Commissioner of the <u>Bureau of Mediation</u> Services<u>BMS</u>.

- <u>G.</u> The school district may display a photograph of a current or former employee to prospective witnesses as part of the school district's investigation of any complaint or charge against the employee.
- H. The school district may, if theits responsible authority or designee reasonably determines that the release of personnel data is necessary to protect an employee from harm to self or to protect another person who may be harmed by the employee, release data that are relevant to the concerns for safety to:
  - The<u>1. the</u> person who may be harmed and to the attorney representing the person when the data are relevant to obtaining a restraining order;
  - <u>A pre-petition2.</u> a prepetition screening team conducting an investigation of the employee under <u>Minn. Stat. §Minnesota Statutes. section</u> 253B.07, <u>Subd.subdivision</u> 1; or
  - A<u>3.</u> a court, law enforcement agency, or prosecuting authority.
- <u>I.</u> Private personnel data or confidential investigative data on employees may be disseminated to a law enforcement agency for the purpose of reporting a crime or alleged crime committed by an employee, or for the purpose of assisting law enforcement in the investigation of such a crime or alleged crime <u>committed by an employee</u>.
- J. A complainant has access to a statement provided by the complainant to the school district in connection with a complaint or charge against an employee.
- K. When allegations of sexual or other types of harassment are made against an employee, the employee shalldoes not have access to data that would identify the complainant or other witnesses if the school districtresponsible authority determines that the employee's access to that data would:
  - <u>1.</u> threaten the personal safety of the complainant or a witness; or
  - <u>2.</u> subject the complainant or witness to harassment.

If a disciplinary proceeding is initiated against the employee, data on the complainant or witness shall be available to the employee as may be necessary for the employee to prepare for the proceeding.

L. The school district shall make any<u>must</u> report to the board of teaching<u>Minnesota</u> 406-6 Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board ("PELSB") or the state board of education Board of School Administrators ("BOSA"), whichever has jurisdiction over the teacher's or administrator's license, as required by Minn. Stat. §Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.20, Subdsubdivision. 2, and shall, upon written request from the licensing board having jurisdiction over a teacher's license, provide the licensing board with information about the teacher or administrator from the school district's files, any termination or disciplinary proceeding, and settlement or compromise, or any investigative file in accordance with Minn. Stat. §Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.20, Subd.subdivision 2.

[Note: The obligation to make a report set forth in this section applies equally to charter school boards and their executive directors and charter school authorizers.]

- <u>M.</u> Private personnel data shall be disclosed to the <u>departmentDepartment</u> of <u>economic</u> <u>securityEmployment and Economic Development</u> for the purpose of administration of the unemployment insurance program under <u>Minn. Stat.Minnesota Statutes.</u> Ch. 268.
- N. When a report of alleged maltreatment of a student in <del>a</del><u>an elementary, middle school</u>, <u>high school or charter</u> school is made to the Commissioner of <u>the Minnesota</u> <u>Department of Education ("MDE") under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 260E</u>, data that are relevant and collected by the school <u>facility</u> about the person alleged to have committed maltreatment must be provided to the Commissioner on request for purposes of an assessment or investigation of the maltreatment report. <u>Additionally</u>, personnel data may be released for purposes of providing information to a parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a child in accordance with MDE Screening Guidelines.
- O. The school district shall release to a requesting school district or charter school private personnel data on a current or former employee related to acts of violence toward or sexual contact with a student, if
  - <u>1.</u> an investigation conducted by or on behalf of the school district or law enforcement affirmed the allegations in writing prior to release and the investigation resulted in the resignation of the subject of the data-; or
  - The identity of 2. the employee resigned while a complaint or charge involving the allegations was pending, the allegations involved acts of sexual contact with a student, and the employer informed the employee in writing, before the employee resigned, that if the employee resigns while the complaint or charge is still pending, the employer must release private personnel data about the employee's alleged sexual contact with a student to a school district or charter school requesting the data after the employee applies for employment with that school district or charter school and the data remain classified as provided in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13.

Data that are released under this paragraph must not include data on the student.

P. Data submitted by an employee making a suggestion to the school district as part of an organized self-evaluation effort by the school district to request suggestions from 406-7 <u>all employees on ways to cut costs</u>, make the school district more efficient, or to improve the school district operations is private <u>data</u>. An employee who is identified in a suggestion, however, shall have access to all data in the suggestion except the identity of the employee making the suggestion.

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- Q. Protected health information, as defined in 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, on employees is private unless otherwise provided<u>and will not be disclosedexcept</u> as permitted or required by law. To the extent that the school district transmits protected health information, the school district will comply with all privacy requirements.
- **R.** Personal home contact information for employees may be used by the school district andto ensure that an employee can be reached in the event of an emergency or other disruption affecting continuity of school district operations and may be shared with another government entity in the event of an emergency or other disruption to ensure continuity of operation for the school district or government entity.
- S. The personal telephone number, home address, and electronic mail address of a current or former employee of a contractor or subcontractor maintained as a result of a contractual relationship between the school district and a contractor or subcontractor entered on or after August 1, 2012, are private data. These data must be shared with another government entity to perform a function authorized by law. The data also must be disclosed to a government entity or any person for prevailing wage purposes.
- Τ. When a continuing contract teacher is discharged immediately because the teacher's license has been revoked due to a conviction for child abuse or sexual offenses involving a child as set forth in Minnesota Statutes, section 122A.40, subdivision 13(b), or when the Commissioner of the MDE makes a final determination of child maltreatment involving a teacher under Minnesota Statues, section 260E.21, subdivision 4 or 260E.35, the school principal or other person having administrative control of the school must include in the teacher's employment record the information contained in the record of the disciplinary action or the final maltreatment determination, consistent with the definition of public data under Minnesota Statutes, section 13.41, subdivision. 5, and must provide PELSB and the licensing division at MDE with the necessary and relevant information to enable PELSB and MDE's licensing division to fulfill their statutory and administrative duties related to issuing, renewing, suspending, or revoking a teacher's license. In addition to the background check required under Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.03, a school board or other school hiring authority must contact PELSB and MDE to determine whether the teacher's license has been suspended or revoked, consistent with the discharge and final maltreatment determinations. Unless restricted by federal or state data practices law or by the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, the responsible authority for a school district must disseminate to another school district private personnel data on a current or former teacher (employee or contractor) of the district, including the results of background investigations, if the requesting school district seeks the

information because the subject of the data has applied for employment with the requesting school district.

#### **<u>VI.</u>** MULTIPLE CLASSIFICATIONS

If data on individuals are classified as both private and confidential by Minn. Stat. Ch. Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, or any other state or federal law, the data are private.

#### VII. CHANGE IN CLASSIFICATIONS

The school district shall change the classification of data in its possession if it is required to do so to comply with <u>othereither</u> judicial or administrative rules pertaining to the conduct of legal actions or with a specific statute applicable to the data in the possession of the disseminating or receiving agency.

#### VIII. RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY

The school district has designated <u>Superintendent of Schools[name and title, telephone]</u> as the authority responsible for personnel data. If you have any

The responsible authority, or a school district employee if so designated, shall serve as the school district's data practices compliance official and, as such, shall be the employee to whom persons may direct questions, contact him or concerns regarding problems in obtaining access to data or other data practices problems.

#### **IX.** EMPLOYEE AUTHORIZATION/RELEASE FORM

An employee authorization form is included as an addendum to this policy.

Legal References:	Minn. Stat. Ch. 13 (Minnesota Government Data Practices Act) Minn. Stat.
	<del>§ 13.02 (Definitions</del> )
	Minn. Stat. <u>§ 13.02 (Definitions)</u>
	Minn. Stat. § 13.03 (Access to Government Data)
	Minn. Stat. § 13.05 (Duties of Responsible Authority)
	Minn. Stat. § 13.37 (General Nonpublic Data)
	Minn. Stat. § 13.39 (Civil Investigation Data)
	Minn. Stat. § 13.41 (Licensing Data – Public Data)
	Minn. Stat. § 13.43 (Personnel Data)
	Minn. Stat. <u>§ 13.601, subd. 3 (Applicants for Employment)</u>
	Minn. Stat. § 15.0597 (Appointment to Multimember Agencies)
	Minn. Stat. § 122A.20, Subdsubd. 2 (Mandatory Reporting)
	Minn. Stat. § 122A.40, subds. 13 and 16 (Employment; Contracts;
	Termination)
	Minn. Stat. § 123B.03 (Background Check)
	Minn. Stat. § 123B.143, subd. 2 (Disclose Past Buyouts)
	Minn. Stat. Ch. 179 (Minnesota Labor Relations Act)
	Minn. Stat. Ch. 179A (Minnesota Public Labor Relations Act)

Minn. Stat. § 253B.07(Judicial Commitment: Preliminary Procedures) Minn. Stat. Ch. 260E (Reporting of Maltreatment of Minors) Minn. Stat. Ch. 268 (Unemployment Insurance) Minn. R. Pt. 1205 (Data Practices) P.L. 104-191 (HIPAA) 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, <u>162</u> and 164 (HIPAA Regulations)

Cross References:MSBA/MASA ModelPolicy 206 (Public Participation in School Board<br/>Meetings/Complaints about Persons at School Board Meetings and Data<br/>Privacy Considerations)Policy 515 (Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records)<br/>MSBAMSBAService Manual, Chapter 13, School/MASA Model Policy 515<br/>(Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records)<br/>MSBA/MASA Model Policy 722 (Public Data Requests)<br/>MSBA Law Bulletin "I" (School Records – Privacy – Access to Data)

#### 407 EMPLOYEE RIGHT TO KNOW – EXPOSURE TO HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

[Note: School districts are not required by statute to have a policy addressing these issues. However, the provisions of this policy accurately reflect the requirements of Minn. Stat. § 182.653.]

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide school district employees a place of employment and conditions of employment free from recognized hazards that are likely to cause death or serious injury or harm. (Minn. Stat. § 182.653, Subd. 2)

#### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

<u>It is the The</u> policy of this school district <u>is</u> to provide information and training to employees who may be "routinely exposed" to a hazardous substance, harmful physical agent, infectious agent, or blood borne pathogen.

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#### III. DEFINITIONS

- A. "Commissioner" means the <u>Minnesota</u> Commissioner of Labor and Industry.
- <u>B.</u> "Routinely exposed" means that there is a reasonable potential for exposure during the normal course of assigned work or when an employee is assigned to work in an area where a hazardous substance has been spilled.
- <u>C.</u> "Hazardous substance" means a chemical or substance, or mixture of chemicals and substances, which:
  - <u>1.</u> is regulated by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration under the Code of Federal Regulations; or
  - 2. is either toxic or highly toxic; an irritant; corrosive; a strong oxidizer; a strong sensitizer; combustible; either flammable or extremely flammable; dangerously reactive; pyrophoric; pressure-generating; compressed gas; carcinogen; teratogen; mutagen; reproductive toxic agent; or that otherwise, according to generally accepted documented medical or scientific evidence, may cause substantial acute or chronic personal injury or illness during or as a direct result of any customary or reasonably foreseeable accidental or intentional exposure to the chemical or substance; or
  - <u>3.</u> is determined by the commissioner as a part of the standard for the chemical or substance or mixture of chemicals and substances to present a significant risk to worker health and safety or imminent danger of death or serious physical harm to an employee as a result of foreseeable use, handling, accidental spill, exposure, or contamination.

#### exposure, or contamination.

- D. "Harmful physical agent" means a physical agent determined by the commissioner as a part of the standard for that agent to present a significant risk to worker health or safety or imminent danger of death or serious physical harm to an employee. This definition includes, but is not limited to, radiation, whether ionizing or nonionizing.
- E. "Infectious agent" means a communicable bacterium, rickettsia, parasites, virus, or fungus determined by the commissioner by rule, with approval of the commissioner of health, which, according to documented medical or scientific evidence, causes substantial acute or chronic illness or permanent disability as a foreseeable and direct result of any routine exposure to the infectious agent. Infectious agent does not include an agent in or on the body of a patient before diagnosis.

F. "Blood borne pathogenspathogen" means a pathogenic microorganismsmicroorganism that areis present in human blood and can cause disease in humans. These pathogens include This definition includes, but areis not limited to, hepatitis B virus (HBV), hepatitis C virus (HCV), and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

#### **IV.** TARGET JOB CATEGORIES

Annual training will be provided to all full- and part-time employees who are "routinely exposed" to a hazardous substance, harmful physical agent, infectious agent, or blood borne pathogen as set forth above.

#### V. TRAINING SCHEDULE

Training will be provided to employees before beginning a job assignment as follows:

- A. Any newly -hired employee assigned to a work area where he or she is determined to be "routinely exposed" under the guidelines above.
- **B.** Any employee reassigned to a work area where he or she is determined to be <u>"routinely</u> exposed" under the above guidelines.

Legal References:	Minn. Stat. Ch. 182 (Occupational Safety and Health) Minn. Rules Ch. 5205 (Safety and Health Standards) Minn. Rules Ch. 5206 (Employee Right to Know Standards) 29 C.F.R. § 1910.1050, App. B (Substance Technical Guidelines)
Cross References:	MSBA/MASA Model Policy 420 (Students and Employees with Sexually Transmitted Infections and Diseases and Certain Other Communicable Diseases and Infectious Conditions) MSBA/MASA Model Policy 807 (Health and Safety Policy)

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# 409 EMPLOYEE PUBLICATIONS, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS, INVENTIONS, AND CREATIONS

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to identify and reserve the proprietary rights of the school district to certain publications, instructional materials, inventions, and creations which employees may develop or create, or assist in developing or creating, while employed by the school district.

#### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

Unless the employee develops, creates or assists in developing or creating a publication, instructional material, computer program, invention or creation entirely on the employee's own time and without the use of any school district facilities or equipment, the employee shall immediately disclose and, on demand of the school district, assign any rights to publications, instructional materials, computer programs, materials posted on websites, inventions or creations which the employee develops or creates or assists in developing or creating during the term of employee's employment and for five years thereafter. In addition, employees shall sign such documents and perform such other acts as may be necessary to secure the rights of the school district relating to such publications, instructional materials, computer programs, materials posted on websites, inventions and/or creations, including domestic and foreign patents and copyrights.

#### **III. NOTICE OF POLICY**

The school district shall give employees notice of this policy by such means as are reasonably likely to inform them of this policy.

#### Legal References:

Minn. Stat. § 181.78 (Agreements; Terms Relating to Inventions) 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq. (Copyrights)

#### **Cross References:**