

SCHOOL BOARD BYLAWS

School Visitations

A. Purposes of School Visits

School Board Members shall attempt to visit various schools throughout the year for a variety of purposes. These purposes include, but are not limited to:

- Obtaining background information for future policies;
- Visiting adopted schools; or
- Attending and/or presenting at regular/special programs;
- ~~If they have time available in their schedule and would like to visit a school; or~~
- ~~If they have a special interest in a particular program.~~

B. Authority of School Board Member

1. School Board Members shall not advise, direct or take disciplinary action against school personnel or students while visiting or following a visit to a school because no single School Board Member has the authority to take such action.
2. As a professional courtesy, the School Board Member ~~will~~should contact the principal prior to scheduling a potential visit. By doing so, the principal can accommodate the visit and avoid potential conflicts that would impede the School Board Member's ability to visit specific classrooms and programs. ~~The Superintendent should be informed when a visit is planned.~~
3. School Board Members are guests in any school they visit. They shall stop first at the security desk ~~and/or~~ the main office to advise the principal/designee of their presence and determine if there are any special considerations that should be observed while visiting. ~~Principals are encouraged to have School Board Members visit the total school's activities when possible rather than attempting to present only selected programs.~~
4. When visiting a school in the role of parent/legal guardian or family member, it is expected that a School Board Member will adhere to all protocols established in School Board Policy 7-17 and the Decorum Guidelines posted at each school or academy within the School Division.

~~School Board Members may prepare written reports for dissemination to other School Board Members and the Superintendent if they believe their visit merits the written attention of the School Board.~~

Related Links

School Board Policy 7-17

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