

PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW/FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The Colorado Springs School District 11 Board of Education (the Board) is a public servant, and its meetings and records shall be matters of public information, subject to such restrictions as are set by federal law or regulation, by state statute, or by pertinent court rulings.

Board public information shall be open for inspection at the Colorado Springs School District 11's (the District) Records Management Center during normal business hours, as well as accessible on the District's website. The District's financial records shall be open for inspection at the office of the District's Finance Department upon request, as well as accessible on the District's website in accordance with the Public School Financial Transparency Act.

The Board wishes to support the right of the people to know about the programs and services of their schools and shall make every reasonable effort to disseminate information. Each principal is authorized to use all means available to keep parents/guardians and others of his/her particular school's community informed about the school's program and activities

The District administration will provide public records upon request. In responding to a request for public records, the District will ensure all records released by the administration are valid, reliable, accurate and constructively useful. However, no records shall be released for inspection by the public or any unauthorized persons either by the Superintendent or any other person designated as custodian for District records if such disclosure would be contrary to the public interest as described in state law. The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for reviewing requests for records and allowing or denying them in accordance with applicable state and federal laws. The District will charge reasonable fees for preparing and furnishing copies of such public records in accordance with state law and accompanying regulations.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-9-109
C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(c)
C.R.S. 22-44-301, et seq.(Public School Financial Transparency Act)
C.R.S. 24-72-201 et seq. (Colorado Open Records Act)
5 U.S.C. § 552a, The Privacy Act (Freedom of Information Act)

CROSS REFS.: CBIA, Public Inspection of Superintendent's Evaluation
GBJ, Personnel Records and Files
JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on Students
The Colorado Springs School District 11 Board of Education Operating
and Procedures Manual