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One of the ways that board members and staff members can improve their effectiveness and the quality of the education of the students is through the visitation of school systems with novel, experimental, or innovative programs. As a consequence, board members visit other school systems occasionally and encourage the staff to do so. Recognizing the value of professional visiting, the board also welcomes professional visitors to its own schools.

To ensure the continuity of the educational program and guard against classroom interruption, delegations desiring to visit our system or any particular part of it should make arrangements through the superintendent or director of instruction. The necessary arrangements can then be made for the visit.

Professional visitors arriving at schools unannounced should be directed to the superintendent's office. They will be accommodated only if this does not interfere with schedule plans of staff members.