



LINCOLNWOOD SCHOOL
DISTRICT 74
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Policy Committee Meeting
AGENDA
Friday, December 15, 2023 at
8:30 AM

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Kevin Daly, *President*
Rupal Shah Mandal, *Vice President*
John P. Vranas, *Secretary*
Maxie Boynton
Myra A. Foutris
Jay Oleniczak
Peter D. Theodore

ADMINISTRATION
Dr. David L. Russo, *Superintendent of Schools*
Dr. Dominick M. Lupo, *Assistant Superintendent for
Curriculum and Instruction*
Courtney Whited, *Business Manager/CSBO*

*Agenda of the Policy Committee Meeting of the Board of Education of Lincolnwood School District 74,
Cook County, Illinois, to be held in the Marvin Garlich Administration Building
6950 N. East Prairie Road
Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712,
on Friday, December 15, 2023.*

IN-PERSON PARTICIPATION: It is expected that all members of the Policy Committee, plus several administrators, will be physically present at the Marvin Garlich Administration Building located at 6950 N. East Prairie Road, Lincolnwood, IL. The public is welcome.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Rupal Shah Mandal (BOE), Chair
Myra A. Foutris (BOE), Co-Chair
Maxie Boynton (BOE)
Melissa Theodore, Community Member

ADMINISTRATOR/STAFF

Dr. David L. Russo, Superintendent of Schools
Renee Tolnai, Administrative Assistant

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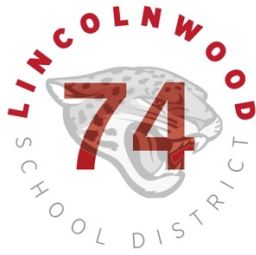
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6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by member: _____ Seconded by: _____

Dr. David L. Russo, Superintendent of Schools

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LINCOLNWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT 74
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday, November 10, 2023 at **8:30 AM**

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*Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of the Board of Education of Lincolnwood School District 74,
Cook County, Illinois, was held in the Marvin Garlich Administration Building
6950 N. East Prairie Road
Lincolnwood, Illinois 60712,
on Friday, November 10, 2023.*

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Shah Mandal called the November 10, 2023 Policy Committee meeting to order at 8:34 a.m., and roll call was taken.

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Rupal Shah Mandal (BOE), Chair
Myra A. Foutris (BOE), Co-chair
Maxie Boynton (BOE)

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Melissa Theodore, Community Member

ADMINISTRATOR/STAFF

Dr. Dominick Lupo, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction
Renee Tolnai, Administrative Assistant

2. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Policy Committee Meeting Minutes - **SEPTEMBER 22, 2023**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the September 22, 2023 Policy Committee meeting minutes.

4. OLD BUSINESS

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Press Plus Issue #113 October 2023

I. Draft Updates

1. 2:20 Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification

The Committee sent this policy to the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education Consent Agenda for approval.

2. 4:10 Fiscal and Business Management

The Committee sent this policy to 1st Reading on the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of

Education meeting agenda.

3. 4:30 Revenue and Investments

The Committee sent this policy to 1st Reading on the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education meeting agenda.

4. 4:60 Purchases

The Committee sent this policy to 1st Reading on the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education meeting agenda.

5. 5:30 Hiring Process and Criteria

The Committee sent this policy to 1st Reading on the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education meeting agenda.

6. 2:120 Board Member Development

The Committee sent this policy to the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education Consent Agenda for approval.

7. 2:200 Types of Board of Education Meetings

The Committee sent this policy to 1st Reading on the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education meeting agenda.

8. 2:220 Board of Education Meeting Procedure

The Committee sent this policy to the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education Consent Agenda for approval.

9. 4:130 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services

The Committee sent this policy to the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education Consent Agenda for approval.

10. 4:160 Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds

The Committee sent this policy to the December 7, 2023 Lincolnwood School District 74 Board of Education Consent Agenda for approval.

6. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the Policy Committee meeting at 8:43 a.m. The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 15, 2023. The public is welcome.

Rupal Shah Mandal, Chair

Myra A. Foutris, Co-chair

Press Plus Issue #113 October 2023 - Policy Committee Meeting 12/15/23

1. Action to be taken:

CONSENT

1st READING

STAY IN COMMITTEE

2. Policy Committee to Determine:

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General Personnel

5:90 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting

Any District employee who suspects or receives knowledge that a student may be an abused or neglected child shall: (1) immediately report or cause a report to be made to the Ill. Dept. of Children and Family Services (DCFS) on its Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-25-ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) (within Illinois); 1-217-524-2606 (outside of Illinois); or 1-800-358-5117 (TTY), and (2) follow directions given by DCFS concerning filing a written report within 48 hours with the nearest DCFS field office. Any District employee who believes a student is in immediate danger of harm, shall first call 911. The employee shall also promptly notify the Superintendent or Building Principal that a report has been made. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement. Negligent failure to report occurs when a District employee personally observes an instance of suspected child abuse or neglect and reasonably believes, in his or her professional or official capacity, that the instance constitutes an act of child abuse or neglect under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act (ANCRA) and he or she, without willful intent, fails to immediately report or cause a report to be made of the suspected abuse or neglect to DCFS.

Any District employee who discovers child pornography on electronic and information technology equipment shall immediately report it to local law enforcement, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's CyberTipline 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678) or online at report.cybertip.org/ or www.missingkids.org. The Superintendent or Building Principal shall also be promptly notified of the discovery and that a report has been made.

Any District employee who observes any act of hazing that does bodily harm to a student must report that act to the Building Principal, Superintendent, or designee who will investigate and take appropriate action. If the hazing results in death or great bodily harm, the employee must first make the report to law enforcement and then to the Superintendent or Building Principal. Hazing is defined as any intentional, knowing, or reckless act directed to or required of a student for the purpose of being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in any group, organization, club, or athletic team whose members are or include other students.

Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act (ANCRA), School Code, and Erin's Law Training

The Superintendent or designee shall provide staff development opportunities for District employees in the detection, reporting, and prevention of child abuse and neglect.

All District employees shall:

1. Before beginning employment, sign the *Acknowledgement of Mandated Reporter Status* form provided by DCFS. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the signed forms are retained.
2. Complete mandated reporter training as required by law within three months of initial employment and at least every three years after that date.
3. Complete an annual evidence-informed training related to child sexual abuse, grooming behaviors (including *sexual misconduct* as defined in *Faith's Law*), and boundary violations as required by law and policy 5:100, *Staff Development Program*.

The Superintendent or designee will display DCFS issued materials that list the DCFS toll free telephone number and methods for making a report under ANCRA in a clearly visible location in each school building. [PRESSPlus1](#)

Alleged Incidents of Sexual Abuse: Investigations

An *alleged incident of sexual abuse* is an incident of sexual abuse of a child, as defined in [720 ILCS 5/11-9.1A](#), that is alleged to have been perpetrated by school personnel, including a school vendor or volunteer, that occurred: on school grounds during a school activity; or outside of school grounds or not during a school activity.

If a District employee reports an alleged incident of sexual abuse to DCFS and DCFS accepts the report for investigation, DCFS will refer the matter to the local Children's Advocacy Center (CAC). The Superintendent or designee will implement procedures to coordinate with the CAC.

DCFS and/or the appropriate law enforcement agency will inform the District when its investigation is complete or has been suspended, as well as the outcome of its investigation. The existence of a DCFS and/or law enforcement investigation will not preclude the District from conducting its own parallel investigation into the alleged incident of sexual abuse in accordance with policy 7:20, *Harassment of Students Prohibited*.

Special Superintendent Responsibilities

The Superintendent shall execute the requirements in Board policy 5:150, *Personnel Records*, whenever another school district requests a reference concerning an applicant who is or was a District employee and was the subject of a report made by a District employee to DCFS.

When the Superintendent has reasonable cause to believe that a license holder (1) committed an intentional act of abuse or neglect with the result of making a child an abused child or a neglected child under ANCRA or an act of sexual misconduct under *Faith's Law*, and (2) that act resulted in the license holder's dismissal or resignation from the District, the Superintendent shall notify the State Superintendent and the appropriate Intermediate Service Center Executive Director in writing, providing the Ill. Educator Identification Number as well as a brief description of the misconduct alleged. The Superintendent must make the report within 30 days of the dismissal or resignation and mail a copy of the notification to the license holder.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures for notifying a student's parents/guardians when a District employee, contractor, or agent is alleged to have engaged in sexual misconduct with the student as defined in *Faith's Law*. The Superintendent shall also develop procedures for notifying the student's parents/guardians when the Board takes action relating to the employment of the employee, contractor, or agent following the investigation of sexual misconduct. Notification shall not occur when the employee, contractor, or agent alleged to have engaged in sexual misconduct is the student's parent/guardian, and/or when the student is at least 18 years of age or emancipated.

The Superintendent shall execute the recordkeeping requirements of *Faith's Law*.

Special School Board Member Responsibilities

Each individual Board member must, if an allegation is raised to the member during an open or closed Board meeting that a student is an abused child as defined in ANCRA, direct or cause the Board to direct the Superintendent or other equivalent school administrator to comply with ANCRA's requirements concerning the reporting of child abuse.

If the Board determines that any District employee, other than an employee licensed under [105 ILCS 5/21B](#), has willfully or negligently failed to report an instance of suspected child abuse or neglect as required by ANCRA, the Board may dismiss that employee immediately.

When the Board learns that a licensed teacher was convicted of any felony, it must promptly report it to the State agencies listed in policy 2:20, *Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification*.

LEGAL REF.:

[20 U.S.C. §7926](#), Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

[105 ILCS 5/10-21.9](#), [5/10-23.13](#), [5/21B-85](#), [5/22-85.5](#), and [5/22-85.10](#).

[20 ILCS 1305/1-1](#) *et seq.*, Department of Human Services Act.

[325 ILCS 5/](#), Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

[720 ILCS 5/12C-50.1](#), Criminal Code of 2012.

CROSS REF.: 2:20 (Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification), 3:40 (Superintendent), 3:50 (Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent), 3:60 (Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal), 4:60 (Purchases and Contracts), 4:165 (Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors), 5:20 (Workplace Harassment Prohibited), 5:30 (Hiring Process and Criteria), 5:100 (Staff Development Program), 5:120 (Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest), 5:150 (Personnel Records), 5:200 (Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal), 5:290 (Employment Termination and Suspensions), 6:120 (Education of Children with Disabilities), 6:250 (Community Resource Persons and Volunteers), 7:20 (Harassment of Students Prohibited), 7:150 (Agency and Police Interviews)

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REVISED: June 1, 2023

REVIEWED: June 1, 2023

PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to the deletion of 105 ILCS 5/10-23.12(b) by P.A. 103-542, eff. 1-1-24. **Issue 113, October 2023**

Press Plus Issue #113 October 2023 - Policy Committee Meeting 12/15/23

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1st READING

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Educational Support Personnel

5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves

Please refer to the current agreement: Between the Board of Education, School District #74, Lincolnwood, Illinois and the Lincolnwood Support Staff Union, Local 1274 IFT/AFT, AFL-CIO for additional information, if applicable.

For employees not covered by this agreement:

Sick Days

Sick leave is defined in State law as personal illness, mental or behavioral complications, quarantine at home, illness or death in the immediate family or household, or birth, adoption, placement for adoption, or the acceptance of a child in need of foster care. The Superintendent or designee shall monitor the use of sick leave.

Ten (10) month employees who work at least 600 hours per year receive 15 paid sick days of which 4 shall be considered personal days. Any personal days not used by the end of the employee work year accrue as sick days. Part-time employees will receive sick leave day(s) equivalent to their work day. Unused sick leave shall accumulate without limit.

All full-time twelve (12) month employees will receive 17 paid sick days and 4 personal days. Any personal days not used by June 30 accrue as sick days. Part-time employees will receive sick leave days equivalent to their work day. Unused sick leave shall accumulate without limit.

The Board may require a certificate from: (1) a physician licensed in Illinois to practice medicine and surgery in all its branches, (2) a mental health professional licensed in Illinois providing ongoing care or treatment to the staff member, (3) a chiropractic physician licensed under the Medical Practice Act, (4) a licensed advanced practice registered nurse, (5) a licensed physician assistant who has been delegated the authority to perform health examinations by his or her supervising physician, or (6) if the treatment is by prayer or spiritual means, a spiritual advisor or practitioner of the employee's faith, as a basis for pay during leave after an absence of three (3) days for personal illness, or as it may deem necessary in other cases.

Employees are entitled to use up to 30 days of paid sick leave because of the birth of a child that is not dependent on the need to recover from childbirth. Such days may be used at any time within the 12-month period following the birth of the child. Intervening periods of nonworking days or school not being in session, such as breaks and holidays, do not count towards the 30 working school days. As a condition of paying sick leave beyond the 30 working school days, the Board or the Superintendent may require medical certification.

For purposes of adoption, placement for adoption, or acceptance of a child in need of foster care, paid sick leave may be used for reasons related to the formal adoption or the formal foster care process prior to taking custody of the child or accepting the child in need of foster care, and for taking custody of the child or accepting the child in need to foster care. Such leave is limited to 30 days, unless a longer leave is provided in an applicable collective bargaining agreement, and need not be used consecutively once the formal adoption or foster care process is underway. The Board or

Superintendent may require that the employee provide evidence that the formal adoption or foster care process is underway.

Sick Days - Retirement

Employees may receive a stipend for each unused sick day in excess of those applied toward their IMRF Retirement Plan upon retirement at the age fifty-five (55) or older. The stipend shall be 1/10 of the employee's per diem wage rate.

This payment will be made in the month after the month following the employee's date of retirement (e.g. an employee who retires as of June 15 will be paid in August).

Vacation

All full-time 12 month personnel shall be entitled to a paid vacation day allotment in accordance with the following schedule: Year One through Year Five, 15 Days; Year Six through Year Ten, 18 Days; Beyond Ten Years, 21 days.

Vacation time will be arranged by mutual agreement between classified office personnel and the Supervising Administrator. Said vacation days shall be used during the period July 1 of the current year to the end of July of the following year (13 months). On August 1 of each year, up to five (5) unused vacation days shall be rolled into the employee's sick leave accumulation and any remaining unused days shall be forfeited unless an exception for an extension is granted by the employee's supervisor.

Holidays

The District will observe all State and federal holidays as identified in the School Code, unless waived exemptions apply. At the discretion of the Superintendent, personnel may be granted additional days off with prior notice. A holiday will not cause a deduction from an employee's time or compensation.

Leaves for Service in the Military and General Assembly

Educational support personnel shall receive the same military and General Assembly leaves that are granted professional staff.

Bereavement Leave

Educational support personnel receive bereavement leave on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

School Visitation Leave

An eligible employee is entitled to a school visitation leave on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

Leaves for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Violence, Gender Violence, or Other Crime of Violence

Educational support personnel receive a leave for victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, or gender violence on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

Leave to Serve as a Trustee of the Ill Municipal Retirement Fund

Upon request, the Board will grant 20 days of paid leave of absence per year to a trustee of the Ill.

Municipal Retirement Fund in accordance with State law.

Family Bereavement Leave

Educational support personnel receive family bereavement leave on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

Child Extended Bereavement Leave [PRESSPlus1](#)

Educational support personnel receive child extended bereavement leave on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

Leave to Serve as an Election Judge

An eligible employee is entitled to leave to serve as an election judge on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

COVID-19 Paid Administrative Leave

Educational support personnel receive COVID-19 paid administrative leave on the same terms and conditions granted professional staff.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.7b, 5/10-20.83 (final citation pending), 5/24-2, 5/24-6, and 5/24-6.3.

[10 ILCS 5/13-2.5](#), Election Code.

[330 ILCS 61/](#), Service Member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

[820 ILCS 147/](#), School Visitation Rights Act.

820 ILCS 154/, ~~Child~~ Family Bereavement Leave Act.

[820 ILCS 156/](#), Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act.

[820 ILCS 180/](#), Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act.

School Dist. 151 v. ISBE, 154 Ill.App.3d 375 (1st Dist. 1987); *Elder v. Sch. Dist. No.127 1/2*, 60 Ill.App.2d 56 (1st Dist. 1965).

CROSS REF.: 5:180 (Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity), 5:185 (Family and Medical Leave), 5:250 (Leaves of Absence)

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REVIEWED: January 12, 2023

PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to the Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act, 820 ILCS 156/, added by P.A. 103-466. See the **Question** attached to the PRESS Plus Draft Update for policy

5:250, *Leaves of Absence*. If the district enters a response that fewer than 50 full-time employees are employed by the district, this item and the Legal Reference to 820 ILCS 156/ will be deleted by IASB. **Issue 113, October 2023**

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Professional Personnel

5:250 Leaves of Absence

Sick and Bereavement Leave, Business Leave, Leave During Pregnancies and adoptions, placement for adoption, Leave as Delegate to IFT Convention, Special Leave for Tenured Teachers, Sabbatical Leave, and Personal Leave

Please refer to the current “Agreement between the Board of Education, School District #74, Lincolnwood, Illinois, and the Lincolnwood Teacher’s Association, Local 1274 IFT/AFT, AFL-CIO for additional information, if applicable.”

Staff members are entitled to use up to 30 days of paid sick leave because of the birth of a child that is not dependent on the need to recover from childbirth. Such days may be used at any time within the 12-month period following the birth of the child. Intervening periods of nonworking days or school not being in session, such as breaks and holidays, do not count towards the 30 working school days. As a condition of paying sick leave beyond the 30 working school days, the Board or Superintendent may require medical certification.

For purposes of adoption, placement for adoption, or acceptance of a child in need of foster care, paid sick leave may be used for reasons related to the formal adoption or the formal foster care process prior to taking custody of the child or accepting the child in need of foster care, and for taking custody of the child or accepting the child in need of foster care. Such leave is limited to 30 days, unless a longer leave is provided in an applicable collective bargaining agreement, and need not be used consecutively once the formal adoption or foster care process is underway. The Board or Superintendent may require that the employee provide evidence that the formal adoption or foster care process is underway.

Family Bereavement Leave

State law allows a maximum of 10 unpaid work days for eligible employees (Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, [20 U.S.C. §2601 et seq.](#)) to take family bereavement leave. The purpose, requirements, scheduling, and all other terms of the leave are governed by the Family Bereavement Leave Act. Eligible employees may use family bereavement leave, without any adverse employment action, for: (1) attendance by the bereaved staff member at the funeral or alternative to a funeral of a covered family member, which includes an employee’s child, stepchild, domestic partner, sibling, parent, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandchild, grandparent, or stepparent (2) making arrangements necessitated by the death of the covered family member, (3) grieving the death of the covered family member, or (4) absence from work due to a Significant Event, which includes: (i) miscarriage, (ii) an unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or of an assisted reproductive technology procedure, (iii) a failed adoption match or an adoption that is not finalized because it is contested by another party, (iv) a failed surrogacy agreement, (v) a diagnosis that negatively impacts pregnancy or fertility, or (vi) a still birth. An employee qualifying for leave due to a Significant Event will not be required to identify which specific reason applies to the employee’s request.

The leave must be completed within 60 days after the date on which the employee received notice of the death of the covered family member or the date on which an event under item (4) above occurs.

However, in the event of the death of more than one covered family member in a 12-month period, an employee is entitled to up to a total of six weeks of bereavement leave during the 12-month period, subject to certain restrictions under State and federal law. Other existing forms of leave may be substituted for the leave provided in the Family Bereavement Leave Act. This policy does not create any right for an employee to take family bereavement leave that is inconsistent with the Family Bereavement Leave Act.

Child Extended Bereavement Leave [PRESSPlus1](#)

Unpaid leave from work is available to employees who experience the loss of a child by suicide or homicide. The Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act governs the duration, scheduling, continuity of benefits, and all other terms of the leave. Accordingly, if the District employs 250 or more employees on a full-time basis,^{Q1} an employee is entitled to a total of 12 weeks of unpaid leave within one year after the employee notifies the District of the loss. An employee may elect to substitute other forms of leave to which the employee is entitled for the leave provided under the Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act.

Leaves for Service in the Military

Leaves for service in the U.S. Armed Services or any of its reserve components and the National Guard, as well as re-employment rights, will be granted in accordance with State and federal law. A professional staff member hired to replace one in military service does not acquire tenure.

General Assembly

Leaves for service in the General Assembly, as well as re-employment rights, will be granted in accordance with State and federal law. A professional staff member hired to replace one in the General Assembly does not acquire tenure.

School Visitation Leave

An eligible professional staff member is entitled to eight hours during any school year, no more than four hours of which may be taken on any given day, to attend school conferences, behavioral meetings, or academic meetings related to the teacher's child, if the conference or meeting cannot be scheduled during non-work hours. Professional staff members must first use all accrued vacation leave, personal leave, compensatory leave, and any other leave that may be granted to the professional staff member, except sick, and disability leave.

Leaves for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Violence, Gender Violence, or Other Crime of Violence

An unpaid leave from work is available to any staff member who: (1) is a victim of domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence, or any other crime of violence or (2) has a family or household member who is a victim of such violence whose interests are not adverse to the employee as it relates to the domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence, or any other crime of violence. The unpaid leave allows the employee to seek medical help, legal assistance, counseling, safety planning, and other assistance, and to grieve and attend to matters necessitated by the death of a family or household member who is killed in a crime of violence, [PRESSPlus2](#) without suffering adverse employment action.

The Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act ([VESSA](#)) governs the purpose, requirements, scheduling, and continuity of benefits, and all other terms of the leave. Accordingly, if the District employs at least 50 employees, and subject to any exceptions in VESSA, an employee is entitled to a

total of 12 work weeks of unpaid leave during any 12-month period. Neither the law nor this policy creates a right for an employee to take unpaid leave that exceeds the unpaid leave time allowed under, or is in addition to the unpaid leave time permitted by, the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 ([29 U.S.C. §2601 et seq.](#)).

Leaves to Serve as an Officer, ~~or~~ Trustee, or Representative of a Specific Organization [PRESSPlus3](#)

Upon request, the ~~School~~ Board will grant: (1) an unpaid leave of absence to a teacher who is elected to serve as an officer of a State or national teacher organization that represents teachers in collective bargaining negotiations, (2) up to twenty~~20~~ days of paid leave of absence per year to a trustee of the Teachers' Retirement System to attend meetings and seminars as described in 105 ILCS 5/24-6.3, ~~and~~ (3) a paid leave of absence for the local association president of a State teacher association that is an exclusive bargaining agent in the District, or his or her designee, to attend meetings, workshops, or seminars as described in 105 ILCS 5/24-6.2, ~~and~~ (4) up to 10 days of paid leave per school term for teachers elected to represent a statewide teacher association in federal advocacy work in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/24-3.5.

Leave to Serve as an Election Judge

Any staff member who was appointed to serve as an election judge under State law may, after giving at least 20-days' written notice to the District, be absent without pay for the purpose of serving as an election judge. The staff member is not required to use any form of paid leave to serve as an election judge. No more than 10% of the District's employees may be absent to serve as election judges on the same Election Day.

COVID-19 Paid Administrative Leave

~~During any time when the Governor has declared a disaster due to a public health emergency under 20 ILCS 3305/7, When applicable, [PRESSPlus4](#) paid administrative leave related to COVID-19 will be granted is available to eligible employees in accordance with State law. if the District, State or any of its agencies, or the local health department has issued guidance, mandates, or rules related to COVID-19 that restrict an employee from being on District property for a reason outlined in State law.~~

~~For an employee to be eligible for COVID-19 paid administrative leave, the employee must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as defined in 105 ILCS 5/10-20.83 (final citation pending).~~

~~The employee will receive as many days of administrative leave as required to abide by the public health guidance, mandates, and requirements issued by the Ill. Dept. of Public Health, unless a longer period has been negotiated with the exclusive bargaining representative.~~

~~As a condition of being granted COVID-19 paid administrative leave, an employee shall provide all documentation necessary to substantiate the employee's eligibility for the leave, as requested by the Superintendent or designee. An employee who is on COVID-19 paid administrative leave will receive the employee's regular rate of pay; the leave will not diminish any other leave or benefits of the employee. Employees may not accrue COVID-19 paid administrative leave.~~

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.83 ~~(final citation pending)~~, 5/24-6, 5/24-6.1, 5/24-6.2, 5/24-6.3, 5/24-13, and 5/24-13.1.

[10 ILCS 5/13-2.5](#), Election Code.

[330 ILCS 61/](#), Service Member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

[820 ILCS 147/](#), School Visitation Rights Act.

820 ILCS 154/, [Child Family](#) Bereavement Leave Act.

[820 ILCS 156/](#), [Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act](#).

[820 ILCS 180/](#), Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act.

CROSS REF.: 5:180 (Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity), 5:185 (Family and Medical Leave), 5:330 (Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves)

ADOPTED: September 10, 2002

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Questions and Answers:

***Required Question 1. How many full-time employees does the district employ?

- The district employs more than 250 employees. (Default)
- The district employs between 50-249 employees. (IASB will substitute the following sentence: "Accordingly, if the District employs at least 50 but not more than 249 employees on a full-time basis, an employee is entitled to a total of six weeks of unpaid leave within one year after the employee notifies the District of the loss.")
- The district employs fewer than 50 employees. (IASB will delete the subhead regarding Child Extended Bereavement Leave and the Legal Reference to 820 ILCS 156/.)

PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to the Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act, 820 ILCS 156/, added by P.A. 103-466. **Issue 113, October 2023**

PRESSPlus 2. Updated in response to the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act (VESSA), 820 ILCS 180/, amended by P.A. 103-314, eff. 1-1-24. Under 820 ILCS 180/20(a)(4), added by P.A. 103-314, eff. 1-1-24, an employee is not entitled to more than two work weeks (10 work days) if the leave is to attend a wake or funeral (or an alternative event), make end-of-life arrangements, or grieve due to the death of a family or household member killed in a crime of violence. In these circumstances, the leave must be completed within 60 days after the date on which the employee receives notice of the death. Employees may qualify for unpaid leave under both VESSA and the Family Bereavement Leave Act; leave taken under one act does not diminish the availability of leave under the other. **Issue 113, October 2023**

PRESSPlus 3. Updated in response to 105 ILCS ¹⁸5/24-3.5, added by P.A. 103-308, eff. 1-1-24. The

statewide teacher association is required to reimburse a district for substitute teaching costs incurred due to the teacher's absence. **Issue 113, October 2023**

PRESSPlus 4. Updated for continuous improvement. **Issue 113, October 2023**

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5:220 Substitute Teachers

The Superintendent may employ substitute teachers as necessary to replace teachers who are temporarily absent.

A substitute teacher must hold either a valid teaching or substitute license and may teach in the place of a licensed teacher who is under contract with the Board. There is no limit on the number of days that a substitute teacher may teach in the District during the school year, except as follows:

1. A substitute teacher holding a substitute license may teach for any one licensed teacher under contract with the District only for a period not to exceed 120 days beginning with the 2021-2022 through the 2022-2023 school year, otherwise 90 paid school days in any one school term.
2. A teacher holding a Professional Educator License or Educator License with Stipulations may teach for any one licensed teacher under contract with the District only for a period not to exceed 120 paid school days.

The Ill. Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) limits a substitute teacher who is a TRS annuitant to substitute teaching for a period not to exceed 120 paid days or 600 paid hours in each school year through June 30, 2026, PRESSPlus1 but not more than 100 paid days in the same classroom. Beginning July 1, 2026³, a substitute teacher who is a TRS annuitant may substitute teach for a period not to exceed 100 paid days or 500 paid hours in any school year, unless the subject area is one where the Regional Superintendent appropriate Intermediate Service Center Executive Director has certified that a personnel shortage exists.

The Board of Education establishes a daily rate of pay for substitute teachers. Substitute teachers receive only monetary compensation for time worked and no other benefits.

Short-Term Substitute Teachers

A short-term substitute teacher must hold a valid short-term substitute teaching license and have completed the District's short-term substitute teacher training program. Unless otherwise permitted by law, short-term substitutes may teach no more than five consecutive school days for each licensed teacher who is under contract with the Board.

Emergency Situations

A substitute teacher may teach when no licensed teacher is under contract with the Board if the District has an emergency situation as defined in State law. During an emergency situation, a substitute teacher is limited to 30 calendar days of employment per each vacant position. The Superintendent shall notify the appropriate Intermediate Service Center (ISC) within five business days after the employment of a substitute teacher in an emergency situation. The Board may continue to employ the same substitute teacher in a vacant position for 90 calendar days or until the end of the semester, whichever is greater, if, prior to the end of the then current 30-calendar-day period, the District makes a written request to the ISC for a 30-calendar-day extension and the extension is granted by the ISC. PRESSPlus2

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/10-20.68](#), [5/21B-20\(2\)](#), [5/21B-20\(3\)](#), and [5/21B-20\(4\)](#).

[40 ILCS 5/16-118](#), Ill. Pension Code.

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.790](#) (Substitute Teacher) and [§25.520](#) (Substitute Teaching License).

CROSS REF.: 5:30 (Hiring Process and Criteria)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to Ill. Pension Code, 40 ILCS 5/16-118, amended by P.A.s 103-88 and 103-525, permitting TRS annuitants to substitute teach for 120 paid days or 600 paid hours in each school year through 6-30-26. **Issue 113, October 2023**

PRESSPlus 2. Updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/21B-20(3), amended by P.A. 103-193, eff. 1-1-24. In order for a substitute teacher to remain in a vacant position for up to 90 days, or until the end of the semester, whichever is greater, the position must remain vacant and the district must continue to actively seek qualified candidates and provide documentation to the appropriate Intermediate Service Center that it has provided training specific to the position, including training on meeting the needs of students with disabilities and English learners if applicable. **Issue 113, October 2023**

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Professional Personnel

5:210 Resignations

Please refer to the current “Agreement between the Board of Education, School District #74, Lincolnwood, Illinois, and the Lincolnwood Teacher’s Association, Local 1274 IFT/AFT, AFL-CIO for additional information, if applicable ”

Termination of Employment by Teacher[PRESSPlus1](#)

1. ~~A Teachers who has entered into contractual continued service (“tenure”) may resign at any time by obtaining concurrence of the Board of Education or by serving at least 30 days written notice upon the Secretary of the Board of Education or the Superintendent. A teacher may resign outside of a school term if the teacher provides written notice to the secretary of the Board, at least 30 calendar days prior to the first student attendance day of the following school year. Teachers who resign with less than 30 days’ notice prior to the first student attendance day of the following school term will be deemed to have resigned during the school term.~~[PRESSPlus2](#) If a tenured teacher provides at least 30 days written notice, he/she cannot unilaterally revoke the resignation.
2. A non-tenured teacher may resign outside of the school term without concurrence of the Board of Education. Once a non-tenured teacher has provided notice of resignation, he/she cannot unilaterally revoke the resignation.
3. No teacher may resign during the school term, without the concurrence of the Board of Education, in order to accept another teaching assignment.
4. If concurrence by the full Board of Education is impractical or time is of the essence, the Board President, in consultation with the Board’s attorney, is authorized to instruct the Superintendent to issue a concurrence on behalf of the Board of Education.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/24-14.](#)

Park Forest Heights School Dist. v. State Teacher Certification Bd., 363 Ill.App.3d 433 (1st Dist. 2006).

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. This policy's content is unique to the district. Please consult the author and the **PRESS** sample, available by logging in at www.iasb.com, to determine whether further changes

are necessary. **Issue 113, October 2023**

PRESSPlus 2. 105 ILCS 5/24-14, amended by P.A.s 102-552 and 103-549, refers to a school term as commencing on the first day of student attendance. A teacher who resigns during the school term, without the board's permission, or who resigns in order to accept another teaching assignment may be referred by the board to the State Superintendent of Education, who shall convene an informal evidentiary hearing within 90 days after receipt of a district's referral. The referral to the State Superintendent must be submitted within 10 business days after the board denies acceptance of the resignation and contain: (1) a dated copy of the teacher's resignation letter; (2) a copy of the reporting district's current school year calendar; (3) proof of employment for the school year at issue; (4) documentation showing that the board did not accept the teacher's resignation; and (5) evidence that the teacher left the district in order to accept another teaching assignment. The district must also notify the teacher of the referral within five business days after submitting it to the State Superintendent.

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5:200 Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal

School Year, School Day (Teacher Work Day), Assignments and Transfers, Dismissal, Evaluation

Please refer to the current “Agreement between the Board of Education, School District #74, Lincolnwood, Illinois, and the Lincolnwood Teacher’s Association, Local 1274 IFT/AFT, AFL-CIO and the Lincolnwood Support Staff Union, Local 1274 IFT/AFT, AFL-CIO for additional information, if applicable.”

The District accommodates employees who are nursing mothers according to provisions in State and federal law.

Duty-Free Lunch

Teachers employed for at least four hours per day shall receive a duty-free lunch equivalent to the student lunch period, or 30 minutes, whichever is longer.

School Social Worker Services Outside of District Employment

School social workers may not provide services outside of their District employment to any student(s) attending school in the District. *School social worker* has the meaning stated in [105 ILCS 5/14-1.09a](#).

Salary

Teachers shall be paid according to the salaries fixed by the Board of Education, but in no case less than the minimum salary provided by the School Code. Teachers shall be paid at least monthly on a 10- or 12-month basis.

LEGAL REF.:

[29 U.S.C. §218\(d\)](#), [Pub. L. 117-328](#), [Pump for Nursing Mothers Act](#), [PRESSPlus1](#)

[42 U.S.C. §2000gg et seq.](#), [Pub. L. 117-328](#), [Pregnant Workers Fairness Act](#).

[105 ILCS 5/10-19](#), [5/10-19.05](#), [5/10-20.65](#), [5/14-1.09a](#), [5/22-95](#), [5/22.4](#), [5/24-16.5](#), [5/24-2](#), [5/24-8](#), [5/24-9](#), [5/24-11](#), [5/24-12](#), [5/24-21](#), [5/24A-1 through 24A-20](#).

[820 ILCS 260/](#), [Nursing Mothers in the Workplace Act](#).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code Parts 50](#) (Evaluation of Educator Licensed Employees) and [51](#) (Dismissal of Tenured Teachers).

[Cleveland Bd. of Educ. v. Loudermill](#), 470 U.S. 532(1985).

CROSS REF.: 5:120 (Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest), 5:290 (Employment Termination and Suspensions), 6:20 (School Year Calendar and Day)

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PRESSPlus Comments

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5:190 Certification

Please refer to the current Agreement between the Board of Education, School District #74, Lincolnwood, Illinois, and the Lincolnwood Teacher's Association, Local 1274 IFT/AFT, AFL-CIO for additional information, if applicable.

Each certified staff member must have a current Illinois certificate which legally qualifies him or her for the duties for which he or she is employed. The staff member shall be responsible for securing and maintaining a valid educator licensure.

Each teacher shall have a valid proof of certification in the District's central office no later than the end of the first week of school, each school year. On or before each September 1, each teacher must have a complete, up-to-date set of college transcripts, including any new credits, on file with the Superintendent. The teacher shall notify the Superintendent of a certification change within 30 days after it has occurred.

All teachers working in a program supported with federal funds under Title I, Part A must meet applicable State certification and licensure requirements.

LEGAL REF.:

[20 U.S.C. §6312\(e\)\(1\)\(A\)](#).

[105 ILCS 5/10-20.15](#), ~~[5/21-11.4](#)~~, [PRESSPlus1 5/21B-15](#), [5/21B-20](#), [5/21B-25](#), and [5/24-23](#).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.610 et seq.](#), [§1.705 et seq.](#), and [Part 25](#).

ADOPTED: May 6, 2008

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PRESSPlus Comments

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Instruction

6:50 School Wellness

Student wellness, including good nutrition and physical activity, shall be promoted in the District's educational program, school-based activities, and meal programs. This policy shall be interpreted consistently with Section 204 of the Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 and the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA).

The Superintendent will ensure:

1. Each school building complies with this policy;
2. The policy is available to the community on an annual basis through copies of or online access to the Board Policy Manual; and
3. The community is informed about the progress of this policy's implementation.

Goals for Nutrition Education and Nutrition Promotion

The goals for addressing nutrition education and nutrition promotion include the following:

- Schools will support and promote sound nutrition for students.
- Schools will foster the positive relationship between sound nutrition, physical activity, and the capacity of students to develop and learn.
- Nutrition education will be part of the District's comprehensive health education curriculum. See Board policy 6:60, *Curriculum Content*.

Goals for Physical Activity

The goals for addressing physical activity include the following:

- Schools will support and promote an active lifestyle for students.
- Physical education will be taught in all grades and shall include a developmentally planned and sequential curriculum that fosters the development of movement skills, enhances health-related fitness, increases students' knowledge, offers direct opportunities to learn how to work cooperatively in a group setting, and encourages healthy habits and attitudes for a healthy lifestyle. See policies 6:60, *Curriculum Content* and 7:260, *Exemption from Physical Education*.
- During the school day, all students will be required to engage in a physical education course as required by Illinois Law, unless otherwise exempted. See policies 6:60, *Curriculum Content* and 7:260, *Exemption from Physical Education*.
- The curriculum will be consistent with and incorporate relevant *Illinois Learning Standards for Physical Development and Health* as established by the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE).

Goals for Other School-Based Activities [PRESSPlus1](#)

The goals for school-based activities include the following:

- Schools will support and promote a healthy eating environment for students.
- Schools will promote and participate in wellness activities.
- Schools will offer other school-based activities to support student health and wellness, including coordinated events and clubs.

Nutrition Guidelines for Foods Available During the School Day; Marketing Prohibited

Students will be offered and schools will promote nutritious food and beverage choices during the school day that are consistent with Board policy 4:120, *Food Services* (requiring compliance with the nutrition standards specified in the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's (USDA) *Smart Snacks* rules).

In addition, in order to promote student health and reduce childhood obesity, the Superintendent or designee shall:

1. Restrict the sale of *competitive foods*, as defined by the USDA, in the food service areas during meal periods;
2. Comply with all ISBE rules; and
3. Prohibit marketing during the school day of foods and beverages that do not meet the standards listed in Board policy 4:120, *Food Services*, i.e., in-school marketing of food and beverage items must meet *competitive foods* standards.

Competitive foods standards do not apply to foods and beverages available, but not sold in school during the school day; e.g., brown bag lunches, foods for classroom parties, school celebrations, and reward incentives.

Exempted Fundraising Day (EFD) Requests

All food and beverages sold to students on the school campuses of participating schools during the school day must comply with the "general nutrition standards for competitive foods" specified in federal law.

ISBE rules prohibit EFDs for grades 8 and below in participating schools.

Monitoring

Annually, the Superintendent shall provide implementation data and/or reports to the Board concerning this policy's implementation sufficient to allow the Board to monitor and adjust the policy (a annual report). This annual report must include without limitation each of the following:

- An assessment of the District's implementation of the policy
- The extent to which schools in the District are in compliance with the policy
- The extent to which the policy compares to model local school wellness policies
- A description of the progress made in attaining the goals of the policy
- How the District will make the results of the assessment available to the public
- Where the District will retain records of the assessment

The Board will monitor and adjust the policy pursuant to policy 2:240, *Board Policy Development*.

Community Involvement

The Board and Superintendent will actively invite suggestions and comments concerning the development, implementation, periodic reviews, and updates of the school wellness policy from parents, students, representatives of the school food authority, teachers of physical education, school health professionals, the school board, school administrators, and the community. Community involvement methods shall align their suggestions and comments to policy 2:140, *Communications To and From the Board*.

Recordkeeping

The Superintendent shall retain records to document compliance with this policy, the District's records retention protocols, and the Local Records Act.

LEGAL REF.:

[Pub. L. 108-265](#), Sec. 204, Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004.

~~42 U.S.C. §1771 et seq., Child Nutrition Act of 1966.~~

42 U.S.C. §1751 et seq., [Richard B. Russell](#) National School Lunch Act.

42 U.S.C. §1758b, Pub. L. 111-296, Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.

[42 U.S.C. §1771 et seq., Child Nutrition Act of 1966.](#)

[42 U.S.C. §1779](#), as implemented by [7 C.F.R. §§210.11](#) and [210.31](#).

[50 ILCS 205/](#), Local Records Act.

[105 ILCS 5/2-3.139](#) and [5/2-3.189](#).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 305](#), Food Program.

ISBE's *School Wellness Policy* Goal, adopted Oct. 2007.

CROSS REF.: 2:140 (Communications To and From the Board), 2:150 (Committees), 2:240 (Board Policy Development), 4:120 (Food Services), 5:100 (Staff Development Program), 6:60 (Curriculum Content), 7:260 (Exemption from Physical Education), 8:10 (Connection with the Community)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to a request from the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) Nutrition Dept. and to federal requirements in 7 C.F.R. §210.31 for local school wellness policies. This is a required topic, but the local board may determine what goals are appropriate. 42 USC §1758b(b) (1); 7 C.F.R. §210.31(c)(1). The third sample goal comes from ISBE's Local Wellness Policy Template for Schools, available at: www.isbe.net/Pages/Local-School-Nutrition-Wellness-Policy.aspx. **Issue 113, October 2023**

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6:30 Organization of Instruction

The School District has instructional levels for grades Kindergarten through 8. The grouping and housing of instructional levels in school facilities shall be according to plans developed by the Superintendent and approved by the Board of Education.

Students, for instructional purposes, may be placed in groups within the school which do not necessarily follow grade level designations. For purposes of attendance reporting and other records, however, each student must be identified as to grade-level placement.

Kindergarten

The District maintains a Full-day kindergarten with an instructional program that fulfills the District's curriculum goals and objectives and the requirements of the State law.

LEGAL REF.:

105 ILCS ~~5/10-20.19a~~, 5/10-20.37, and 5/10-22.18. [PRESSPlus1](#)

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.420.](#)

CROSS REF.: 6:40 (Curriculum Development), 6:170 (Title I Programs), 7:30 (Student Assignment), 7:50 (School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools), 7:100 (Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. The Legal References are updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/10-20.19a, repealed by P.A. 103-410. 105 ILCS 5/10-22.18, amended by P.A. 103-410, requires boards to establish a full-day kindergarten program by the beginning of the 2027-2028 school year. Elementary or unit districts that do not offer full-day kindergarten as of 10-1-22, may apply for a two-year extension of the 2027-28 school year full-day kindergarten implementation deadline if the criteria set forth in 105 ILCS 5/10-22.18(b)(1)-(3) are met. **Issue 113, October 2023**

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6:15 School Accountability

According to the Illinois General Assembly, the primary purpose of schooling is the transmission of knowledge and culture through which students learn in areas necessary to their continuing development and entry into the world of work. To fulfill that purpose, the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) prepared *State Goals for Learning and Learning Standards*.

The Board of Education gives priority in the allocation of resources, including funds, time, personnel, and facilities, to fulfilling this purpose.

Quality Assurance

The Board continuously monitors student achievement and the quality of the District's work. The Superintendent shall supervise the following quality assurance components, in accordance with State law and ISBE rules, and continuously keep the Board informed:

1. Prepare each school's quality assurance appraisal, whether internal or external, to assess each school's continuous school improvement.
2. Continuously assess the District's and each school's overall performance in terms of both academic success and equity. This includes, without limitation, a thorough analysis of ISBE's balanced accountability measure and each school's *Multiple Measure Index* and corresponding *Annual Measurable Objective* provided by ISBE.
3. If applicable, develop ~~District and~~ [PRESSPlus1](#) School Improvement Plans, present them for Board approval, and supervise their implementation.
4. Prepare a school report card, present it at a regular Board meeting, and disseminate it as provided in State law.
5. In accordance with [105 ILCS 5/2-3.153](#), annually administer a climate survey on the instructional environment within the school to, at minimum, students in grades 4 through 8 and teachers.

The Superintendent shall make regular assessment reports to the Board, including projections whether the District and each school is or will be making adequate yearly progress as defined in State law. The Superintendent shall seek Board approval for each District and/or school improvement plan and otherwise when necessary or advisable.

LEGAL REF.:

[105 ILCS 5/2-3.25](#), [5/2-3.25a](#), [5/2-3.25b](#), [5/2-3.25c](#), [5/2-3.25d-5](#), [5/2-3.25e-5](#), [5/2-3.25f](#), [5/2-3.25f-5](#), [5/2-3.63](#), [5/2-3.64a-5](#), [5/2-3.153](#), [5/10-17a](#), [5/10-21.3a](#), and [5/27-1](#).

[23 Ill.Admin.Code Part 1](#), Subpart A: Recognition Requirements.

CROSS REF.: 6:170 (Title I Programs), 6:340 (Student Testing and Assessment Program), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/2-3.25f(a), amended by P.A. 103-175, providing that the Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) “shall provide technical assistance to schools in school improvement status to assist with the development and implementation of ~~School and District~~ Improvement Plans.” ISBE is required to provide districts with technical assistance and support by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. 20 U.S.C. §6303. **Issue 113, October 2023**