

GEARY COUNTY USD 475
Board of Education Meeting
-Public Comments-

Welcome to tonight's USD 475 Board of Education meeting. The board appreciates patrons taking time to talk to us about our policies and procedures. We set aside this time every meeting to hear from the public. Your comments should be directed toward board policies or the procedures our administrators established to carry out those policies. This is not an appropriate time or place for patrons to make comments of a personal nature about any district employee or student. Persons making comments which violate the privacy rights of district employees and students will be asked to stop speaking or cease their remarks. If a patron or parent has a concern with one or more employees, the board will refer that person to the appropriate employee or the superintendent. An administrator may be assigned to follow up and contact the patron if deemed appropriate.

To maintain an atmosphere of respect and to allow for smooth progression of the Board's meeting, citizen input is provided at specific times and according to the following guidelines:

- 1. Each individual wishing to address the Board should complete the bottom of this form. The completed form should be given to the Clerk of the Board at least five minutes prior to the start of the Board meeting. Citizens wishing to address the Board should come to the front of the room when called upon and state their name and address.*
- 2. Time for citizen comments will be announced after approval of the Consent Agenda.*
- 3. Each speaker will be limited to no more than three minutes with the expectation that no one individual will speak more than once on any given agenda item or topic. If there are several individuals wishing to speak on any one topic, no more than five speakers should speak to the Board in an effort to avoid duplicating what has been said previously. Speakers may speak on more than one agenda item and should indicate the topics to be addressed on the form handed to the Clerk. Individuals who have not spoken previously are given the opportunity to speak first.*
- 4. Participants are expected to respect each speaker's opinion. Speakers will only address issues; comments about personalities will not be permitted.*
- 5. Board members will listen carefully to the speakers' comments and concerns but will not engage in any discussion/debate with the speakers. Board members may ask questions for clarification purposes.*

Your cooperation in following these guidelines is appreciated.

Today's Date: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone No.: _____

Email: _____

My comments are in connection with the following topic:
