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Suspension Of Policies, Bylaws, And Regulations

The Board of Education has developed a careful and deliberate process of formulating and adopting its policies and bylaws. Requests for suspension of any existing policy or bylaw should receive the same careful consideration. Therefore:

A. Any request for a waiver of policy or bylaw shall be considered in light of the policy or bylaw itself, rather than any particular circumstances of the moment.

B. The board shall decide whether the policy or bylaw still reflects the considered intent of the board. If it does, the suspension will be denied and the policy or bylaw reaffirmed in the minutes.

C. If the policy or bylaw does not reflect the intent of the board, then the policy shall be waived by a majority vote of the members of the board present and voting and development of a revised policy or bylaw shall become the board's policy priority.

In the event of an emergency requiring immediate action, the Chief School Administrator shall have the power to waive policy or regulation in the single instance. In such cases, the Chief School Administrator shall report the instance to the board president immediately, and request reconsideration of the policy at the next regular meeting.

Legal References:	N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1	General mandatory powers and duties
	N.J.S.A. 18A:17-20	Tenured and non-tenured superintendents; general powers and duties
	N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20	Powers of board (county vocational schools)
	N.J.A.C. 6A:32-2.1	Definitions (Chief School Administrator and Administrative Principal)
	N.J.A.C. 6A:32-4.3	Evaluation of tenured and non-tenured chief school administrators

Matawan Teachers' Assn. v. Board of Education 223 N.J. Super, 504 (App. Div. 1988)

Possible Cross References:	*2210	Administrative leeway in absence of board policy
	*9311	Formulation, adoption, amendment of policies
	*9312	Formulation, adoption, amendment of bylaws
	*9313	Formulation, adoption, amendment of administrative regulations

* Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.

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