

POLICY ADOPTION

The adoption of new policies or the change of existing policies is solely the responsibility of the **North Middlesex** School Committee. Policies will be adopted and/or amended only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the School Committee when such action has been scheduled on the agenda of a regular or special meeting.

To allow time for the study of all policies or amendments to policies and to provide an opportunity for interested parties to react, proposed policies or amendments will be presented as agenda items to the Committee in the following sequence.

1. Information item – distribution with agenda
2. Discussion item – first reading of proposed policy or policies; response from Superintendent; report from advisory committee assigned responsibility in the area; Committee discussion and directions for any redrafting.
3. Action item – discussion, adoption, or rejection. (Must occur at a meeting subsequent to Item 2).

Amendments to the policy at the action stage will not require repetition of the sequence, unless the Committee so directs.

The School Committee may dispense with the above sequence in the event of an emergency.

Policies will be effective upon the date set by the **School** Committee. This date will ensure that affected persons have an opportunity to become familiar with the requirements of the new policy prior to its implementation.

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Policy Committee Review: 6/23/2026

NMRSD First Vote: 7/21/2026

NMRSD Adoption:
