1040 Humboldt County School Board Member Code of Ethics

As a member of the Humboldt County School Board, I will:

- Listen carefully and respectfully to other board members
- Respect the opinions of others and agree that it is okay to disagree
- Respect and support the majority decisions of the board
- Recognize that authority is only vested in the full board when it meets in legal session
- Keep informed of developments relevant to issues that may come before the board
- Participate actively in board and committee meetings
- Bring to the attention of the board any issues that may adversely affect the school district
- Interpret the needs of the community to the district and the school district's actions to those we serve
- Refer complaints to the appropriate administrative level
- Understand that my responsibility is to see that the school district is well-managed, not to manage the school district itself
- Represent everyone this school district serves
- Act as a trustee of this school district and work carefully to ensure that it is well-maintained, fiscally secure, and operating in the best interests of those we serve
- Declare any conflict of interest between my personal life and my position on the board and abstain from voting when appropriate.

As a member of the Humboldt County School Board, I will not:

- Criticize fellow board members or the superintendent and staff, either in or out of the board room
- Use the school district for my personal advantage, or that of my friends, business associates or family members
- Discuss the confidential workings of the board outside the board room
- Promise how I will vote or commit to a position prior to a meeting
- Interfere with the superintendent's duties in day-to-day management, or undermine his or her authority with staff members

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Signature Date