

BOARD POLICIES

The Board of Trustees recognizes that it has an important responsibility to establish policies which communicate its direction for the operation of the schools. Policies are written statements adopted by the Board which communicate the guidelines within which the Superintendent or designee and staff may take discretionary action.

The Superintendent or designee shall present drafts or suggestions for new policy and policy revisions when changes in law occur and when specific needs arise.

The Board encourages members of the community to contribute information and opinions for the Board's consideration and to propose revisions to policy. When drafting or revising policies which affect other governmental agencies, the Board welcomes input from these agencies and will cooperate with them in addressing matters of mutual concern.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide for the continuous orderly review of existing policies. Policies not amended shall be officially readopted by the Board.

The Board shall review certain policies annually, as required by law.

The adoption of policy shall conform with Board bylaws governing agendas, meetings, and voting. Only those written statements adopted and recorded in the minutes shall constitute official Board policy.

Before adoption, policies shall normally be given two readings by the Board. At its second reading, the policy may be adopted by a majority vote of all members of the Board. The Board may waive the second reading or may require additional readings.

When policies are amended, the Superintendent or designee shall review corresponding administrative regulations to ensure that they conform to the intent of the revised policy.

LEGAL REFERENCES**EDUCATION CODE**

35010	Control of District; Prescription and Enforcement of Rules
35160	Authority of Governing Boards
35160.5	Annual Review of School District Policies
35163	Official Actions, Minutes and Journal
35164	Vote Requirements