

BOARD POLICY MANUAL ~~AND POLICY ADOPTION AND REVISION~~

The School Board ~~is shall be~~ guided by written policies that are readily accessible to the Board, division employees, students, parents, and citizens. All division policies will be reviewed at least every five years and revised as needed.

A current copy of all division policies ~~will be and regulations approved by the School Board are~~ posted on the division's website and are available to employees and the public. ~~The School Board will ensure that p~~Printed copies of the policies and regulations are as available as needed to citizens who do not have online access. The Superintendent shall ensure that an annual announcement is made ~~in each division~~ at the beginning of the school year and, for parents of students who enroll later in the academic year, at the time of enrollment, advising the public regarding the availability of the policies and regulations.

~~Policy proposals and suggested amendments to or revisions of existing policies shall be submitted in writing to all members of the Board and to the Superintendent prior to a regularly scheduled Board meeting in which such proposed policies, amendments, or revisions shall be read and discussed. A vote for adoption shall take place after a minimum of two readings by the Board in addition to at least one opportunity for public testimony. Exception may be taken when, in the opinion of the Board, the immediate adoption of a policy is in the best interests of the school division. The Board may suspend its rules by a vote of five (5) members in favor of doing so and bring up the proposed policy for immediate adoption. A majority vote of the membership of the Board shall be required for the adoption of a new policy or for the amendment to or revision of an existing policy.~~

~~The Superintendent shall establish a systematic procedure to ensure policy manuals are kept up to date throughout the division and in public libraries.~~

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