

131.3 BOARD CANDIDATE ORIENTATION

The Board considers it important that a candidate be knowledgeable about school governance and operations, and, insofar as possible, prepared to discuss and cast informed votes on matters before the Board from the time that he/she is sworn into office.

During the period of their candidacy, all candidates will be urged to attend, and be welcomed at public meetings of the Board. All public information about the school system will be made available to them.

Additionally, the Board directs the District Administrator to cooperate impartially with all candidates in providing them with information about school governance, Board operations, and school programs, which may include:

1. Notification of public meetings of the Board, with the agenda provided.
2. Meeting with a candidate or candidates to provide background information on the school system and school board services.
3. Providing each candidate with information published by the Wisconsin Association of School Boards on the powers and duties of boards and other association materials germane to Board services.
4. Making arrangements for the candidate to review the current policies of the Board, administrative regulations, and other publications of the school system.

The Board and its staff will seek to be impartial as they cooperate in the orientation of Board candidates. It expects the candidates to recognize that until and unless elected to the Board their official status is that of other members of the public, and thus are not entitled to privileged information discussed only in closed session.

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