

151 BOARD POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION

Policymaking is the primary method by which school boards exercise their statutory authority and broad powers. Therefore, the School Board shall adopt written policies to guide the actions of those to whom it delegates authority and to serve as the basis for school district operations and decision making. Policies shall be systematically coded and shall be available to the public through the District's website.

In formulating policies, the Board will adopt general principles and statements of intent. The District Administrator, when necessary or when directed by the Board, will prepare written regulations to ensure the implementation of Board policy.

Proposals regarding school district policies and operations may originate at any of several sources: Board, citizens, students, and employees of the district.

The District Administrator, in cooperation with staff and the Board, will recommend policies for adoption and recommend provisions of existing policies.

The Board shall consider all viewpoints of proposed policies. Whenever practical, staff affected by a proposed policy shall be furnished a copy of the proposed policy and be notified as to when the Board will consider the proposed policy.

Written policies may be adopted, added to, amended, or suspended at regular or special meetings of the Board. Each proposed policy shall be read and reviewed at two consecutive meetings of the Board before any official action.

Policies and revisions to policies shall be effective immediately upon adoption unless a specific effective date is provided in the adoption resolution.

Circumstances might occur which require the expedited adoption and implementation of a policy. In such circumstances, the Board may set aside and waive any specific requirements of this policy by a majority vote of those present at the Board meeting, and the Board may then adopt a new or revised policy that has been presented for such expedited consideration.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Wisconsin Statutes, Section 120.12 (School Board Duties)

CROSS-REFERENCE: Wisconsin Statutes, 253.1 (Development of Administrative Rules)

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