

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ETHICS

The Board of Education believes that public education should be conducted in a manner that the employees and the public will feel that ethical procedures are practiced. In general, the conduct of Board members should conform to the code of ethics of the Ohio School Boards Association which include the following:

1. It is unethical for a Board member to:
 - a. Seek special privileges for personal gain
 - b. Personally assume unauthorized authority
 - c. Criticize school employees publicly
 - d. Disclose confidential information
 - e. Place the interest of one group or community above the interest of the entire school district.

2. It is unethical for a Board of Education to:
 - a. Withhold facts from the superintendent, particularly about the in competency of an employee
 - b. Consider complaints against a teacher that are not first submitted to the superintendent
 - c. Announce future action before the proposition has been discussed by the Board of Education

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