

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Educational matters should be discussed, and decisions made at public meetings of the Board to fulfill the rationale for the creation of public governing bodies. However, some matters are more properly discussed by the Board in private session. As permitted by law, such matters may involve the following:

1. To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of an employee, official, or student, or the investigation of charges or complaints against such an individual, unless an employee, official, or student requests a public hearing. The Board will not hold an executive session for the discipline of one of its members for conduct related to the performance of his/her official duties for his/her removal from office.
2. To consider the purchase of property for public purposes, or for the sale of property at competitive bidding, if premature disclosure information would give an unfair advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest.
3. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing, or avoiding prosecution for, a violation of the law.
4. Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.
5. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations with employees.
6. Conferences with an attorney involving pending or imminent court action.
7. Conferences called by a member of the State Auditor's Office or an appointed CPA for the purpose of an audit.

The Board will meet in closed session only to discuss such sensitive matters. Closed sessions will be held only as part of a regular or special meeting. A motion must be made and acted upon by a majority vote to go into executive session for the reasons stated above. That a closed session was held, and the general subject matter of the session, will be reflected in the minutes of the regular or special meeting.

In accordance with law, no official action may be taken in executive session. To take final action on any matter discussed, the Board will reconvene in open session.

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The Board may invite staff members, in addition to the superintendent, or others, to attend closed sessions at its discretion. No participant will disclose the details of the discussion, unless otherwise determined by the Board.

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