

PUBLIC CONCERNS

In the interest of handling all concerns fairly and expeditiously, the Board has established the following guidelines:

Whenever a concern is made directly to the Board as a whole or to an individual Board member, the individual or group involved will be advised to follow established channels in the order designated below:

- a. The appropriate school employee or the school employee's supervisor(s)
- b. The Superintendent, or his/her designee
- c. The Board

Avenues for communication include phone calls, email, or face to face meetings. Individuals may attend Building or Board Committee meetings such as SIP, PTO, or Policy, etc. The Board at their discretion, may at any time create an ad hoc committee to address a special concern.

A Board member may at any time contact the Superintendent regarding a complaint or concern s/he may have received about school personnel, curriculum, instructional materials, budget services, facilities or any other school related matter.

An individual or group who wishes to address the Board at a regularly scheduled meeting may do so by filling out a card which is available at the door and presenting the card to the President of the Board. Time at the beginning and at the end of the meeting is set aside for public comments. Board meetings, including public comments, are videotaped and shared via the district website.

The Board encourages parents and other citizens to express their concerns, to ask questions, and to take an active interest in the District's educational program and environment by attending Board meetings, visiting the schools and meeting with staff.

At times, an anonymous concern may be received by one or more members of the School Board, the Superintendent, and/or one of his/her designees. Such concerns will be investigated to the extent possible by the appropriate District personnel; however, there may be inherent limitations on such an investigation due to the inability to ask follow up questions of the individual submitting the concern. Information regarding the outcome of the investigation will be shared with Board members, via the Superintendent, as appropriate.