

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REVIEW OF PROCEDURES

Section B: School Committee Governance and Operations

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It is expected that the Superintendent and administrative staff will need to issue procedures implementing policies of the School Committee. It is the responsibility of the Superintendent to manage the School System in accordance with written policies adopted by the School Committee. The School Committee will endorse any and all School System guidelines and procedures developed by the Superintendent that are in accordance with the advance the implementation of School Committee policies.

Many of these will be routine from year to year; others will arise in special circumstances; some will be drawn up under specific directions from the Committee.

The Committee may review the procedures developed by the Superintendent for the school system whenever they appear inconsistent with policy, goals, or objectives of the District, but it will revise or veto such procedures only when, in the Committee's judgment, they are inconsistent with policies adopted by the Committee.

The Committee will not officially approve procedures except as required by state law or in cases when strong community attitudes, or possible student or staff reaction, make it necessary or advisable for a regulation to have the Committee's advance approval.

Rules Pertaining to Staff and Student Conduct

Under Massachusetts law, the Superintendent is required to publish "rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of teachers and students which have been adopted." Codes of discipline, as well as procedures used to develop such codes, shall be filed with the Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education for information purposes only. Standards of conduct will be included in staff and student handbooks. These handbooks will be reviewed and approved annually by the School Committee.

Sources:

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