

DISTRICT CODE: 255

SCHOOL BOARD LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Policy reflects Minnesota statute and aligns with other District 270 policies.

The Board, as an agent of the State, must operate within the bounds of state and federal laws affecting public education. If the Board is to meet its responsibilities to the residents and students of the community, it must work vigorously for the passage of new laws designed to advance the cause of good schools and for the repeal or modification of existing laws that impede this cause. To this end:

1. The Board will keep itself informed of pending legislation and actively communicate its concerns and make its position known to elected representatives at both the state and national level.
2. The Board will work with its legislative representatives (both state and federal), with the Association of Metropolitan School Districts, the Minnesota School Boards Association, the National School Boards Association, and other concerned groups in developing an annual, as well as long-range, legislative program. One of the major objectives of the Board's legislative program must address state and federal funding.
3. The Board will annually designate a Legislative Action Committee to act as a non-partisan legislative representative. This committee will work with the superintendent and Board in developing District positions and actions on pending and current legislation (both state and federal).

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