

## CHAPTER 2.00 - SCHOOL BOARD GOVERNANCE AND ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES
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These policies may be amended, repealed, or a new policy adopted as hereinafter prescribed.

- I. Unless an emergency exists, any proposal relating to a policy amendment, the repeal of any policy, or the adoption of a new policy shall be presented in writing to the School Board including a written explanation of the proposal.
  - A. The Secretary shall give immediate and proper written notice to the public when the School Board has determined that it will give due consideration to the proposal for adoption, amendment, or repeal of a policy. The notice shall be posted at least twenty-eight (28) days prior to the date of a School Board's meeting to adopt, amend or repeal a policy. The notice shall include a brief and concise explanation of the proposed policy's purpose and effect and the location where the text of the proposed change may be obtained.
  - B. The Principal shall file immediately in his/her office a copy of any new policy, policy amendment, or repeal of policy adopted by the School Board; policy handbooks shall be amended accordingly.
  - C. Such policies shall become effective upon adoption by the School Board unless a time certain date is specified therein.
- II. The School Board may determine that the public health, safety, or welfare is endangered and that immediate action is required to protect the public interest. When this occurs, the School Board, at any meeting in which a quorum is present, may adopt emergency policies, without complying with the waiting period as provided in section I. herein for public hearings and other similar requirements. The Principal shall properly record the effective date for any such emergency policy. Any emergency policy shall not be valid in excess of ninety (90) days from the adoption or effective date, unless notice is published pursuant to section I. herein and no objections to the adoption of the policy are filed with the School Board or Principal.
- III. Any School Board member, School employee, or parent, may obtain information relating to the method for proposing a policy or may submit a policy proposal to the Board.
- IV. A copy of the compiled policies shall be available for inspection in the Principal's office and by access to the internet.
- V. The Principal shall inform his/her staff members of the location of the School Board policies and any changes.
- VI. A School Board policy may be waived only to provide and implement overall goals and

objectives of the School Board and to protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the affected individual(s). Waiver of a School Board policy shall be addressed and a decision rendered regarding its waiver at a regular, special or emergency School Board meeting. A waiver of a School Board policy shall not render the policy void with respect to the continued implementation of the policy which is sought to be waived nor to the application of said policy to said situations which may arise in the future.

- VII. Any parent, school employee or affected party may appeal to the Board for a variation or waiver with regard to any policy. The appeal process shall be that a written request shall be made to the Principal who shall review the matter and present recommendations to resolve the problem at the next regular School Board meeting to which the item may be added as a part of the agenda. In cases where an appeal process has been developed for a specific policy, the appeal shall be made in accordance with that procedure.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY (if applicable):

1002.33, F.S.

HISTORY:

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