

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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District Policy

The adoption of new policies and the revision and amending of existing policies shall be the sole responsibility of the Board of Trustees.

All policies shall conform to local, state, and federal laws as well as to the rules and regulations of the Idaho Department of Education.

Adoption and Amendment of Policies

Proposed new policies and proposed changes in existing policies shall be presented in writing for reading and discussion at a regular or special Board meeting. Such proposals may be referred to the superintendent for detailed study as needed prior to Board action on the proposal. The Board encourages the superintendent to contact other experts to have potential board policy researched. Interested parties, including any Board member, citizen, or employee of the Board may submit views, present data or arguments, orally or in writing, in support of or in opposition to proposed policy. Any written statement by a person relative to a proposed policy or amendment should be directed to the District clerk prior to the ~~second reading~~ **board meeting in which the policy is addressed.**

~~Proposed new policies and proposed changes in existing policies shall undergo a minimum of two (2) readings in the following manner:~~

- ~~1. — At a regular or special Board meeting the proposed new or amended policy shall be presented in writing for reading and discussion.~~
- ~~2. — The final vote for adoption shall take place not earlier than at the second reading of the particular policy.~~

~~Although approval of a new or amended policy requires a minimum of two (2) readings, temporary approval may be granted by the Board in lieu of formal policy to meet emergency conditions or special events which will take place before formal action can be taken. When the policies are under review the board may amend, revise, or adopt the changes with one reading.~~

All new or amended policies shall become effective upon adoption, unless a specific effective date is provided in the motion for adoption.

Policies as adopted or amended shall be made a part of the minutes of the meeting at which action was taken, and shall also be included in the District's policy manual. Policies of the District shall be reviewed annually by the Board.

Administration in Absence of Policy

In cases where action must be taken before the next board meeting and where the Board has provided no policies or guides for administrative actions, the superintendent shall have to power to act.

His decisions, however, shall be subject to review by action of the Board at its next regular meeting. In addition, it shall be the duty of the superintendent to inform the Board of such action and the need for policy.

Suspension of Policies

Under circumstances which require a waiver of a policy, the policy may be suspended by a majority vote of the members present. In order to suspend a policy, all trustees must have received written notice of the meeting which included a proposal to suspend the policies with an explanation of the purpose of such proposed suspension. If such a proposal is not made in writing in advance of the meeting, the policies may only be suspended by a unanimous vote of all trustees present.

Policy Manuals

The Superintendent shall develop and maintain a current policy manual which contains the policies of the District. Each administrator, as well as staff, students and other residents, shall have ready access to the manual. All policy manuals distributed to anyone shall remain the property of the District and shall be subject to recall at any time.

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| Legal References: | I.C. § 33-506 | Organization and government of board of trustees. |
| | I.C. § 33-512 | Governance of schools. |

Policy History:

Adopted on: 8-4-2011

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INSTRUCTION

2430

Gifted and Talented Program

The term “gifted and talented” means students who are identified as possessing demonstrated or potential abilities that give evidence of high performing capabilities in intellectual, creative, specific academic or leadership areas, or the ability in the performing or visual arts and who require children of outstanding abilities who are capable of high performance and require services or activities not ordinarily provided by the District in order to fully develop such capabilities.

By law, the District is required to provide for special instructional needs of gifted and talented children enrolled in the District. The Board, in conjunction with the Superintendent and staff, shall develop the State required plan for the District’s gifted/talented program. The Plan shall include a philosophy statement, definition of giftedness, program goals, program options, identification procedures, and a program evaluation and the following:

1. Acceleration: A process pertaining to acceleration and continuity of service through grade 12.
2. Assignment: Goals of G/T service are to provide more appropriate learning experience, not more work.
3. Student Transfer: A process that ensures students identified as G/T by one district, and who have transferred in, will have their records reviewed.

Pursuant to State Board mandate, the Plan will be updated every three (3) years.

The Board designates the Superintendent to be responsible for development, supervision and implementation of the District’s gifted and talented program. Such program shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Expansion of academic attainments and intellectual skills;
2. Stimulation of intellectual curiosity, independence and responsibility;
3. Development of a positive attitude toward self and others; and
4. Development of originality and creativity.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures consistent with state guidelines for screening, nominating, assessing and selecting children of demonstrated achievement, or potential ability in terms of general intellectual ability and academic aptitude.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-201 School Age
I.C. § 33-2001 Definitions
I.C. § 33-2003 Responsibility of school districts for education
of gifted/talented children
IDAPA 08.02.03.999 Gifted and Talented Programs

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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1120

Taking Office

At the time of nomination, election, or appointment, each Trustee shall be a school district elector of the District and a resident of the trustee zone from which nominated and elected or appointed. If one cannot be found to appoint from the appropriate zone, then Policy 1140 will be followed.

Each Trustee shall qualify for and assume office on the next January 1 following his or her election or, if appointed, at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees next following such appointment.

An oath of office shall be administered to each Trustee, whether elected, re-elected, or appointed. The oath may be administered by the clerk, or by a Trustee of the District. The records of the District shall show such oath of office to have been taken and by whom the oath was administered and shall be filed with the official records of the District.

Cross Reference: 1140

Vacancies

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-501

Board of Trustees

I.C. § 33-504

Vacancies on Boards of Trustees

I.C. § 59-401

Loyalty Oath—Form

I.C. § 59-402

Time of Taking Oath

Policy History:

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Oath of Office

An oath of office is required to be administered to each School Board Trustee, whether elected, re-elected, or appointed. ~~The Trustee is required to take his or her oath within ten days after the Trustee has notice of his or her election or appointment, or within 15 days from the commencement of his or her term of office.~~ Before any Trustee, elected or appointed, enters upon the duties of his or her office, he or she must take the following oath:

I do solemnly swear ~~(or affirm, if reelected)~~ that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Idaho, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of Trustee of the Garden Valley School District #71 according to the best of my ability.

The oath is required to be administered by the clerk or by a Trustee. Additionally, the records of the District are required to show that such oath of office has been taken and by whom the oath was administered. Finally, this information is required to be filed with the official records of the District.

A Trustee holds office from January 1 in the year in which he or she is elected following their election in November until January 1 in the year in which his or her term of office expires, unless he or she:

1. Dies;
2. Resigns as Trustee;
3. Removes him or herself from the trustee zone of residence;
4. Is no longer a resident or school district elector of the District;
5. Refuses to serve as Trustee;
6. Fails to attend four consecutive regular meetings of the Board without an acceptable excuse to the Board of Trustees; or
7. Is recalled and discharged from office.

If the Trustee is appointed, he or she holds office from the time he or she takes the oath of office until January 1 in the year in which the original term of office to which he or she was appointed expires, unless he or she:

1. Dies;
2. Resigns as Trustee;
3. Removes him or herself from the trustee zone of residence;
4. Is no longer a resident or school district elector of the District;
5. Refuses to serve as Trustee;

6. Fails to attend four consecutive regular meetings of the Board without an acceptable excuse to the Board; or
7. Is recalled and discharged from office.

Procedure History

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