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School Board

Board Member Code of Conduct

The Board adopts the Illinois Association of School Boards' "Code of Conduct for Members of School Boards". A copy of the Code shall be displayed in the regular Board meeting room.

Each member of the Greenfield School Board ascribes to the following code of conduct:

- 1. I shall represent all school district constituents honestly and equally and refuse to surrender my responsibilities to special interest or partisan political groups.
- 2. I shall avoid any conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety which could result from my position, and shall not use my School Board membership for personal gain or publicity.
- 3. I shall recognize that a School Board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a School Board meeting.
- 4. I shall take no private action that might compromise the Board or administration and shall respect the confidentiality of privileged information.
- 5. I shall abide by majority decision of the School Board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels.
- 6. I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow School Board members and others who seek a hearing before the School Board.
- 7. I shall be involved and knowledgeable about not only local educational concerns but also about State and national issues.

In addition, I shall encourage my School Board to pursue the following goals:

- 1. The development of educational programs which meet the individual needs of every student, regardless of ability, race, sex, creed, social standing or disability;
- 2. The development of procedures for the regular and systematic evaluation of programs, staff performance and School Board operations to ensure progress toward educational and fiscal goals;

- 3. The development of effective School Board policies which provide direction for the operation of the schools and delegate authority to the Superintendent for their administration;
- 4. The development of systematic communications which ensure that the School Board, administration, staff, students and community are fully informed and that the staff understands the community's aspirations for its schools; and
- 5. The development of sound business practices which ensure that every dollar spent produces maximum benefits.

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