

### **Communication with the Public**

The Governing Board is committed to providing educational programs which meet state mandates and reflect the needs of the local community and society in general. The Board appreciates the importance of community involvement and therefore shall strive to keep the community fully informed of developments within the school system.

In order to maintain effective communications with the community, the Board shall promote public relations at both the school and district levels. Members of the community shall be offered a variety of ways to become involved in the schools and to express their interests and concerns. The Superintendent or designee shall use all available means of communication to keep the public aware of the goals, programs, achievements and needs of our schools.

The Board shall provide public information as allowed by law in timely, understandable and appropriate ways.

(cf. 1340 - Access to District Records)

(cf. 5145.6 - Notifications Required by Law)

(cf. 9321 - Closed Sessions)

(cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)

#### Mass Mailings or Distributions

The Board recognizes that state law prohibits mass mailings or distributions at public expense which aggrandize elected officers. The name, signature or photograph of an elected district officer may be included in such materials only as permitted by law.

#### Legal Reference:

##### EDUCATION CODE

35172 Promotional activities

##### GOVERNMENT CODE

82041.5 Mass mailing

89001 Newsletter or mass mailing

##### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

18901 Mass mailings sent at public expense

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