

WASHINGTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD POLICY MANUAL

INTRODUCTION

This policy manual contains the policies of the board of directors of the Washington Community School District. Policy development is a dynamic, ongoing process. New problems, issues, and needs give rise to the continuing need to develop new policies or to revise existing ones. The use of a loose-leaf manual is to make it easier to keep the policy manual up-to-date.

Each person holding a copy of this manual has a duty to keep the manual current as new and revised policies are distributed by the central administration office.

How To Use This Policy Manual

The Washington Community School District operates according to policies established by its board of directors. The board develops policies after careful deliberation, and the school administration implements them through specific regulations and procedures. The board reviews and evaluates its policies and makes revisions as necessary.

The manual is organized according to a numeric codification system. There are nine major classifications bearing a numeric Series Code.

100	SCHOOL DISTRICT
200	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
300	ADMINISTRATION
400	EMPLOYEES
500	STUDENTS
600	EDUCATION PROGRAM
700	NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS AND BUSINESS SERVICES
800	BUILDINGS AND SITES
900	SCHOOL DISTRICT-COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Subclassifications under each numeric Series are based on a logical sequence and coded by the subclassification numeric code.

The index pages that follow each tab present the policies included in that Series. These index pages serve as a table of contents for each Series.

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How To Find A Policy

There are two ways to find a policy. The first is to review the nine Series and determine which section the policy may be in. By turning to that Series, you can review the table of contents to determine whether the policy is included. If the policy is included, you can turn to the policy by finding the correct code number in the upper right hand corner of the policy.

The second way to find a policy is to look up the policy in the alphabetical index found under the tab entitled "Index" at the end of the manual. It will direct you to the Series and the policy code number. Again, you can turn to the policy by finding the correct code number in the upper right hand corner of the policy.

How To Read The Signs And Symbols

A variety of signs and symbols are used in concert with the numeric codification system. These are explained below:

- R This symbol following a policy code number indicates the statement is an administrative regulation rather than a board policy. These statements appear on yellow paper.

- E This symbol following a policy code number indicates the statement is an exhibit rather than a board policy. These statements appear on green paper.

- Legal Reference This sign indicates the legal references. They tell the user where the user may find the statutes, case law, attorney general opinions, or administrative rules that give authority to a policy.

- Cross Reference Many policies in the manual relate to other policies in the manual. Cross references are provided to assist the user in finding all of the related policies.

Inquires about the policies included in this manual may be directed to the board members or to the superintendent by telephone at (319) 653-6543 or by writing the school district at 404 West Main, Washington, IA 52353.