

GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2112 BOARD MEMBER CODE OF ETHICS

Board members' actions, verbal and nonverbal, reflect the attitude and the beliefs of the school district. Therefore, the Grand Island Public Schools board members must conduct themselves professionally and in a manner fitting to their position.

Each board member shall follow the code of ethics stated in this policy.

AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER:

- I will listen.
- I will respect the opinion of others.
- I will recognize the integrity of my predecessors and associates and the merit of their work.
- I will vote for a closed session of the board if the situation requires it, but I will consider "secret" sessions of board members unethical.
- I will recognize that to promise in advance of a meeting how I will vote on any proposition that is to be considered is to close my mind and agree not to think through other facts and points of view which may be presented in the meeting.
- I will expect, in board meetings, to spend more time on education programs and procedures than on business details.
- I will express my honest and most thoughtful opinions frankly in board meetings in an effort to have decisions made for the best interests of the children and the education program.
- I will insist that the members of the board participate fully in board action and recommend that when special committees are appointed, they serve only in an investigative and advisory capacity.
- I will carefully consider petitions, resolutions and complaints and will act in the best interests of the school district.

Legal Reference: Neb. Statute 79-526

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