

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

RELATIONS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES

General

The District will maintain open lines of communication and cooperation with local governmental authorities whenever it is in the best interests of the youth and citizens of the community to do so.

Health Authorities

The District shall cooperate with the DuPage County Health Department and welcome the inspection services provided by the Health Officer and suggestions regarding sanitation in the kitchens and lunchrooms, in the lavatories, and other parts of the school buildings.

Police Authorities

Cooperation with law enforcement agencies is essential for the protection of students and of school property. The administration shall work closely with the Carol Stream, Hanover Park, and Bloomingdale Police Departments, and with the DuPage County Sheriff's Department in preventing and investigating cases of vandalism and/or breaking into school buildings. The cooperation of these authorities also is vital in the safety and protection of students as they travel to and from school.

It is the policy of the schools to cooperate with law enforcement agencies in their investigation of unlawful activities. This cooperation, however, must recognize the function of the schools and must respect the civil and constitutional rights of students.

In school-related matters, when the assistance of outside authority has been sought by school officials, interrogation may be done but only in accordance with applicable Board policies and related administrative procedures.

Fire Authorities

The District may cooperate with the Carol Stream, Hanover Park and Bloomingdale Fire Departments in their efforts to protect the school buildings and students from danger of fire. The administration may call upon the fire departments to assist in the education of students, especially in the areas related to fire hazards and fire prevention.

Planning Authorities

The District may cooperate with groups which seek to guide the development and use of property within or adjacent to the School District when it is in the best interest of the District to do so.

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The Board will make known to such groups its concerns in terms of possible future school site needs and/or possible effects of various types of development on the functioning of the School District.

Zoning Authorities

The District may maintain contact with zoning bodies, in order to be informed of any petitions for re-zoning of property within the District.

The Board may consider such matters primarily in terms of their effect on the operation of the schools, i.e. enrollment, facilities required, increased traffic near schools, tax base, etc.

CROSS REF.: Board Policies 710.03 & 710.04
Administrative Procedure 710.04

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