

CODE OF ETHICS FOR ADMINISTRATORS

An administrator's professional conduct must conform to an ethical code of behavior, and the code must set high standards for all administrators. The administrator provides professional leadership across the district and also across the community. This responsibility requires the administrator to maintain standards of exemplary professional conduct while recognizing that his or her actions will be viewed and appraised by the community, professional associates and students.

The administrator acknowledges that he or she serves the schools and community by providing equal educational opportunities to each and every child. The work of the administrator must emphasize accountability and results, increased student achievement, and high expectations for each and every student.

To these ends, the administrator subscribes to the following statements of standards.

The administrator:

1. Makes the education and well-being of students the fundamental value of all decision making.
2. Fulfills all professional duties with honesty and integrity and always acts in a trustworthy and responsible manner.
3. Supports the principle of due process and protects the civil and human rights of all individuals.
4. Implements local, state and national laws.
5. Advises the school board and implements the board's policies and administrative rules and regulations.
6. Pursues appropriate measures to correct those laws, policies, and regulations that are not consistent with sound educational goals or that are not in the best interest of children.
7. Avoids using his/her position for personal gain through political, social, religious, economic or other influences.
8. Accepts academic degrees or professional certification only from accredited institutions.
9. Maintains the standards and seeks to improve the effectiveness of the profession through research and continuing professional development.
10. Honors all contracts until fulfillment, release or dissolution mutually agreed upon by all parties.
11. Accepts responsibility and accountability for one's own actions and behaviors.
12. Commits to serving others above self.

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