

File: BCA

MEMBER ETHICS

A School Committee member responsible to the community:

1. Has a primary responsibility to the children
2. Must be well informed about and adhere to the state ethics law
3. Is mindful of the interests of the entire community.

A School Committee member responsible to the school administration:

1. Plays a policy making, and not administrative role, establishing policies which will direct and support the administration
2. Recognizes and supports the administrative chain of command and refers all complaints to administrative staff for resolution
3. Gives the chief administrator full responsibility for discharging his/her professional duties and holds him/her responsible for acceptable results
4. Does not withhold pertinent information on school district matters or personnel problems from the Superintendent.

A School Committee member responsible to fellow School Committee members:

1. Recognizes that action at official meetings is binding and that s/he alone cannot bind the Committee outside of such meetings
2. Should not make statements or promises to fellow School Committee members of how he/she will vote on matters that will come before the Committee
3. Respects the privileged communications that exist in executive sessions
4. Makes decisions only after all facts on a question have been presented and discussed.

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