

## Code of Ethics of the Board

The Board recognizes the importance of the responsibility entrusted to its members for the educational development of students and the enhancement of quality education in the area. With this responsibility in mind, it adopts the following statements as guidelines for ethical conduct of its members:

The Board believes that:

1. Each member has been entrusted with responsibility for the educational welfare of children within the area, and shall make decisions in the best interests of those children.
2. Each member must devote time, thought and study to the duties, and responsibilities of a Board member, so as to render effective and credible service.
3. Each member has an obligation to work in harmony and cooperation with other Board members, even though differences of opinion may exist.
4. Each member has the responsibility to base decisions on available facts and data and to abide by and uphold the final majority of the Board.
5. Each member has the obligation to recognize that a Board member has no legal authority outside the official Board meetings.
6. Each member must assume responsibility to promote excellence in education, and strive to encourage accountability for services rendered by Agency staff to local schools, and to recognize such accomplishments.
7. Each member must be responsive to school districts and citizenry, and represent the best interests of children within the area.

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