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### 5113.02 - SCHOOL CHOICE OPTIONS-PROVIDED BY THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT

The Board of Education acknowledges that the <u>Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)</u>, as amended, Federal **No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 ("NCLBA")** provides that the parents/guardians of students enrolled in a Title I school the first year following the building's identification as being in "School Improvement", have the right to transfer their children to another school in the District, provided there is a school that provides instruction at the students' grade level(s) and such school has not been identified as being in the process of school improvement, corrective action, or restructuring. If there is not another school in the District offering instruction at the students' grade level(s) that has not been identified as needing improvement, the Superintendent shall contact neighboring districts and request that they permit students to transfer to a school in one of those districts. The Superintendent shall also offer Supplemental Educational Services (SES) to students in any school no later than the first year following the building's identification as being in "School Improvement," regardless of whether a transfer option is available.

Additionally, students attending a "persistently dangerous" school, as defined by State law have the right to transfer to another "safe" school in the District. If there is not another "safe" school in the District providing instruction at the students' grade level(s), the Superintendent shall contact neighboring districts and request that they permit students to transfer to a school in one of those districts.

Furthermore, a student who is a victim of a "violent crime" on school property also has the right to transfer to another school. If there is not another school in the District providing instruction at the student's grade level, the Superintendent shall contact neighboring districts and request that they permit that student to transfer to a school in one of those districts providing instruction at the student's grade level.

The Board of Education authorizes such transfers in accordance with AG 5113.02.

Children who transfer in accordance with this policy will be permitted to remain at the school of transfer until completing the highest grade at the school.

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# 5610 - REMOVAL, SUSPENSION, EXPULSION, AND PERMANENT EXCLUSION OF STUDENTS

The Board of Education recognizes that exclusion from the educational program of the schools, whether by emergency removal, out-of-school suspension, expulsion, or permanent exclusion, is the most severe sanction that can be imposed on a student in this District, and one that cannot be imposed without due process.

No student is to be removed, suspended out-of-school, expelled and/or permanently excluded unless his/her behavior represents misconduct as specified in the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code approved by the Board. The Code shall also specify the procedures to be followed by school officials when implementing such discipline. In addition to the procedural safeguards and definitions set forth in this policy and the student/parent handbook, additional procedures and considerations shall apply to students identified as disabled under the IDEA, ADA, and/or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (See Policy 2465, "Suspension/Expulsion of Disabled Students.")

Students may be subject to discipline for violation of the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code even if such conduct occurs on property not owned or controlled by the Board but where such conduct is connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on property owned or controlled by the Board, or conduct that, regardless of where it occurs, is directed at a District official or employee, or the property of such official or employee.

For purposes of this policy and the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code, the following shall apply:

- A. "Emergency removal" shall be the exclusion of a student who poses a continuing danger to District property or persons in the District or whose behavior presents an on-going threat of disrupting the educational process provided by the District. (See Policy 5610.03 "Emergency Removal")
- B. "Suspension" shall be the temporary exclusion of a student by the Superintendent, principal, assistant principal, or any other administrator from the District's instructional program for a period not to exceed ten (10) school days. Suspension shall not extend beyond the current school year if at the time a suspension is imposed, fewer than ten (10) days remain in the school year.

The procedures for suspension are set forth in the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code and Policy 5611 - Due Process Rights.

A student who is suspended shall be permitted to complete any classroom assignments missed because of the suspension, and receive at least partial credit for a completed assignment. Grade reductions on account of the student's suspension are permitted; however, no student may receive a failing grade on a completed assignment solely on account of his/her suspension.

C. "Expulsion" shall be the exclusion of a student from the schools of this District for a period not to exceed the greater

of eighty (80) school days or the number of school days remaining in a semester or term in which the incident that gives rise to the expulsion takes place or for one (1) year as specifically provided in this policy and the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code. Only the Superintendent may expel a student. The procedures for expulsion are set forth in the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code and Board Policy 5611 "Due Process Rights".

### 1. Firearm or Knife

Unless a student is permanently excluded from school, the Superintendent shall expel a student from school for a period of one (1) year for bringing a firearm or knife capable of causing serious bodily injury to a school building or on to any other property (including a school vehicle) owned, controlled, or operated by the Board, to an interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or to any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board, except that the Superintendent may reduce this period on a case-by-case basis in accordance with this policy. Similarly, the Superintendent shall expel a student from school or on any other property (including a school vehicle) owned, controlled, or operated by the Board, at interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or at any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board, except the Board, at interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or at any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board, except the Superintendent may reduce this period on a case-by-case basis in accordance with this policy. The expulsion may extend, as necessary, into the school year following the school year in which the incident that gives rise to the expulsion takes place. The Superintendent shall refer any student expelled for bringing a firearm (as defined in 18 U.S.C. 921(a)(3)) or weapon to school to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system serving the District.

A firearm is defined as any weapon, including a starter gun, which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive, the frame or receiver of any such weapon, any firearm muffler or silencer, or any destructive device. A destructive device, includes, but is not limited to any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas, bomb, grenade, rocket having a propellant charge of more than four (4) ounces, missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter (1/4) ounce, mine, or other similar device.

A knife capable of causing serious bodily injury is defined as any weapon or cutting instrument consisting of a blade fastened to a handle; a razor blade; or any similar device (including sharp, metal martial arts weapons such a ninja throwing stars) that is used for, or is readily capable of, causing death or serious bodily injury.

The Superintendent may, in his/her sole judgment and discretion, modify or reduce such expulsion in writing, to a period of less than one (1) year, on a case-by-case basis, upon consideration of the following:

- a. Applicable State or Federal laws and regulations relating to students with disabilities (for example, where the incident involves a student with a disability and the misconduct is determined by a group of persons knowledgeable about the child to be a manifestation of the student's disability);
- b. The degree of culpability given the age of the student and its relevance to the misconduct and/or punishment and/or evidence regarding the probable danger posed to the health and safety of others, including evidence of the student's intent and awareness regarding possession of the firearm or knife capable of causing serious bodily injury; and/or
- c. The academic and disciplinary history of the student, including the student's response to the imposition of any prior discipline imposed for behavioral problems.

### 2. Violent Conduct

If a student commits an act at school, on other school property, at an interscholastic competition, extracurricular event, or any other school program or activity and the act:

a. would be a criminal offense if committed by an adult;

and

b. results in serious physical harm to person(s) as defined in Revised Code Section 2901.01(A)(5), or to property as defined in Revised Code Section 2901.01(A)(6)

the Superintendent may expel the student for a period of up to one (1) year. The Superintendent may extend the expulsion into the next school year or reduce the expulsion as necessary on a case-by-case

basis as specified below. The student need not be prosecuted or convicted of any criminal act to be expelled under this provision.

The Superintendent may, in his/her sole judgment and discretion, reduce such expulsion to a period of less than one (1) year, on a case-by-case basis, for the following reasons:

- Applicable State or Federal laws and regulations relating to students with disabilities (for example, where the incident involves a student with a disability and the misconduct is determined by a group of persons knowledgeable about the child to be a manifestation of the student's disability);
  - or
- 2. other extenuating circumstances, including, but not limited to, the academic and disciplinary history of the student, including the student's response to the imposition of any prior discipline imposed for behavioral problems.

If at the time of the expulsion, there are fewer days remaining in the school year than the number of days of the expulsion, the Superintendent may apply any or all of the remaining period to the following school year.

### 3. Bomb Threats

If a student makes a bomb threat to a school building or to any premises at which a school activity is occurring at the time of the threat, the Superintendent may expel the student for a period of up to one (1) year. The Superintendent may extend the expulsion into the next school year or reduce the expulsion as necessary on a case-by-case basis as specified below. The student need not be prosecuted or convicted of any criminal act to be expelled under this provision.

The Superintendent may, in his/her sole judgment and discretion, reduce such expulsion to a period of less than one (1) year, on a case-by-case basis, for the following reasons:

- a. for students identified as disabled under the IDEA, ADA, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, upon recommendation from the group of persons knowledgeable of the student's educational needs;
  - or
- b. other extenuating circumstances, including, but not limited to, the academic and disciplinary history of the student, including the student's response to the imposition of any prior discipline imposed for behavioral problems.

If at the time of the expulsion, there are fewer days remaining in the school year than the number of days of the expulsion, the Superintendent may apply any or all of the remaining period to the following school year.

D. "Permanent exclusion" shall mean the student is banned forever from attending a public school in the State of Ohio. (See Policy 5610.01)

If a student is expelled for more than twenty (20) school days or for any period of time that extends into the next school year, the Superintendent shall provide the student and his/her parents with the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of those public or private agencies in the community which offer programs or services that help to rectify the student's behaviors and attitudes that contributed to the incident(s) that caused the expulsion.

# Suspension or Expulsion of Students in Grades Pre-Kindergarten through 3

[DRAFTING NOTE: Pursuant to H.B. 318, the following limitations on suspension/expulsion of students in grades pre-K through 3, will be phased in over the next three (3) school years, using data related to the 2018-2019 school year as the baseline. The phase-in works as follows to comply with Ohio law for the:

1. <u>2019-2020 school year, your District must reduce the number of out-of-school suspensions and expulsions issued to students in grades pre-K through 3 for offenses not listed in paragraphs A-D below by twenty-five percent (25%), using the numbers reported for that category for the</u>

### 2018-2019 school year as a baseline.

- 2. 2020-2021 school year, your District must reduce the number of out-of-school suspensions and expulsions issued to students in grades Pre-K through 3 for offenses not listed in paragraphs A-D below by fifty percent (50%), using the numbers reported for that category for the 2018-2019 school year as a baseline.
- 3. 2021-2022 school year and thereafter, your District may only issue out-of-school suspensions and expulsions to students in grades Pre-K through 3 for the offenses listed in paragraphs A-D below.]

Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, except as permitted by law, suspension or expulsion proceedings shall not be initiated against a student in any of grades Pre-kindergarten through three unless the student has committed the following acts:

- <u>The student brings a firearm or knife capable of causing serious bodily injury to a school building or on to</u> any other property (including a school vehicle) owned, controlled, or operated by the Board, to an interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or to any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board, or possesses a firearm or knife capable of causing serious bodily injury at school or on any other property (including a school vehicle) owned, controlled, or operated by the Board, at interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or at any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board.
- The student commits an act at school, on other school property, at an interscholastic competition, extracurricular event, or any other school program or activity and the act: 1) would be a criminal offense if committed by an adult; and 2) results in serious physical harm to person(s) as defined in R.C. 2901.01(A)(5), or to property as defined in R.C. 2901.01(A)(6).
- 3. <u>The student makes a bomb threat to a school building or to any premises at which a school activity is occurring at the time of the threat.</u>
- 4. <u>The student engages in behavior of such a nature that suspension or expulsion is necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student, the student's fellow classmates, the classroom staff and teachers, or other school employees.</u>

Prior to suspending or expelling a student in any of grades Pre-K through 3, the Principal shall, whenever possible, consult with a mental health professional under contract. If the events leading up to the student's suspension or expulsion from school indicate that the student is in need of additional mental health services, the student's Principal or the District's mental health professional shall assist the student's parent or guardian with locating providers or obtaining such services, including referral to an independent mental health professional, provided such assistance does not result in a financial burden to the District or the student's school.

If a student in any of grades Pre-K through 3 is suspended or expelled, the student shall be afforded the same notice and hearing, procedural, and educational opportunities as set forth in Board policy and the law. The suspension or expulsion of a student in any of grades Pre-K through 3 shall not limit the Board's responsibilities with respect to the provision of special education and related services to such student in accordance with Board policy and the law. Further, the Board shall not be limited in its authority to issue an in-school suspension to a student in any of grades Pre-K through 3, provided that the in-school suspension is served in a supervised learning environment.

If the Superintendent determines that a student's behavior on a school vehicle violates school rules, s/he may suspend the student from school bus-riding privileges for the length of time deemed appropriate for the violation and remediation of the behavior. Any such suspension must comply with due process and the Student Code of Conduct/Student Discipline Code.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to provide for options to suspension/expulsion of a student from school which may include alternative educational options.

The Superintendent shall initiate expulsion proceedings against a student who has committed an act that warrants expulsion under Board policy even if the student withdraws from school prior to the hearing or decision to impose the expulsion. The expulsion must be imposed for the same duration it would have been had the student remained enrolled.

The Board may temporarily deny admittance to any student who has been expelled from the schools of another Ohio district or an out-of-state district if the student's expulsion period set by the other district has not expired. The expelled student shall first be offered an opportunity for a hearing. This provision also applies to a student who is the subject of a power of attorney designating the child's grandparent as the attorney-in-fact or caretaker authorization affidavit executed by the child's grandparent and is seeking admittance into the schools of this District in accordance with Policy 5111.

The Board may temporarily deny admittance to any student who has been suspended from the schools of another Ohio district if the student's suspension period set by the other district has not expired. The suspended student shall first be offered an opportunity for a hearing before the Board.

When a student is expelled from this District, the Superintendent shall send written notice to any college in which the expelled student is enrolled under Postsecondary Enrollment Options at the time the expulsion is imposed. The written notice shall indicate the date the expulsion is scheduled to expire and that the Board has adopted a provision in Policy 2271 under R.C. 3313.613 to deny high school credit for postsecondary courses taken during an expulsion.

If the expulsion is extended, the Superintendent shall notify the college of the extension.

The Superintendent may require a student to perform community service in conjunction with or in place of a suspension or expulsion. The Board may adopt guidelines to permit the Superintendent to impose a community service requirement beyond the end of the school year in lieu of applying the expulsion into the following school year.

A copy of this policy is to be posted in a central location in each school and made available to students and parents upon request. Key provisions of the policy should also be included in the parent-student handbook.

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### 5610.03 - EMERGENCY REMOVAL OF STUDENTS

If a student's presence poses a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process taking place either in a classroom or elsewhere on school premises, then the Superintendent, principal or assistant principal may remove the student from curricular activities or from the school premises. A teacher may remove the student from curricular activities or from the premises. If a teacher makes an emergency removal, the teacher will notify a building administrator of the circumstances surrounding the removal in writing, as soon as practicable. Because such removal is not subject to the normal suspension and expulsion procedures, no prior notice or hearing is required for any removal under this policy.

A due process hearing will be held on the next school day after the removal is ordered. Written notice of the hearing and the reason for the removal and any intended disciplinary action will be given to the student as soon as practical prior to the hearing. If the student is subject to out-of-school suspension, the student will have the opportunity to appear at an informal hearing before the principal, assistant principal, Superintendent or designee and has the right to challenge the reasons for the intended suspension or otherwise explain his/her actions. Within one (1) school day of the decision to suspend, written notification will be given to the parent(s)/guardian(s) or custodian of the student on the next school day after the date of the initial removal. This notice will include the reasons for the suspension, the right of the student or parent(s)/guardian(s) to appeal to the Board or its designee and the student's right to be represented in all appeal proceedings. If it is probable that the student may be subject to expulsion, the hearing will take place and will be held in accordance with the procedures outlined in the Policy 5611 – Due Process Rights. The person who ordered or requested the removal will be present at the hearing.

A student in any of grades pre-kindergarten through 3 may be removed only for the remainder of the school day and shall be permitted to return to any curricular and extra-curricular activities on the next school day (following the day in which the student was removed or excluded). When a student in any of grades pre-kindergarten through 3 is removed and returned to his/her curricular and extra-curricular activities the next school day, the Principal is not required to hold a hearing (or provide written notice of same).

The Principal shall not initiate suspension or expulsion proceedings against a student in any grades pre-kindergarten through 3 who was removed unless the student has committed one (1) of the following acts:

A. The student brings a firearm or knife capable of causing serious bodily injury to a school building or on to any other property (including a school vehicle) owned, controlled, or operated by the Board, to an interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or to any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board. Similarly, the Principal can initiate suspension or expulsion proceedings if the student possesses a firearm or knife capable of causing serious bodily injury at school or on any other property (including a school vehicle) owned, controlled, or operated by the Board, at interscholastic competition, an extra-curricular event, or at any other school program or activity that is not located in a school or on property that is owned or controlled by the Board.

- B. The student commits an act at school, on other school property, at an interscholastic competition, extra-curricular event, or any other school program or activity and the act: 1) would be a criminal offense if committed by an adult; and 2) results in serious physical harm to person(s) as defined in R.C. 2901.01(A)(5), or to property as defined in R.C. 2901.01(A)(6).
- C. The student makes a bomb threat to a school building or to any premises at which a school activity is occurring at the time of the threat.
- D. The student engages in behavior of such a nature that suspension or expulsion is necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student, the student's fellow classmates, the classroom staff and teachers, or other school employees.

If the Superintendent or principal reinstates a student prior to the hearing for emergency removal, the teacher may request and will be given written reasons for the reinstatement. The teacher cannot refuse to reinstate the student.

In an emergency removal, a student can be kept from class until the matter of the misconduct is disposed of either by reinstatement, suspension or expulsion.

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### 6320 - PURCHASING AND BIDDINGES

# Price Quotations for Items Not Required to be Competitively Bid

It is the policy of the Board of Education that the District seek at least two (2) price quotations, unless fewer quotations are available, on purchases of any supplies, materials, and/or equipment costing more than \$5,000, except in cases of emergency or when the materials purchased are of such a nature that price negotiations would not result in a savings to the District or when the item is subject to formal bid.

### **Competitive Bidding**

When the Board determines to build, repair, enlarge, improve, or demolish a school building the cost of which will exceed \$50,000, the Treasurer shall obtain competitive bids.

In accordance with statute, the Board may elect to forego the bidding for contracts in any of the following situations:

- A. the acquisition of educational materials used in teaching
- B. if the Board elects and declares by resolution to participate in purchase contracts, in accordance with R.C. Chapter 125 and the terms and conditions prescribed by the Department of Administrative Services
- C. if the Board determines and declares by resolution adopted by two-thirds (2/3's) of its members that any item is available and can be acquired only from a single source
- D. if the Board declares by resolution adopted by two thirds (2/3's) of its members that the installation, modification, and/or remodeling subject to contracting is involved in an energy conservation measure undertaken through an installment payment contract under R.C. 3313.372 or pursuant to R.C. 133.06(G)
- E. the acquisition of computer software and/or computer hardware for instructional purposes
- F. A. if the Board finds and determines that an urgent necessity exists (as defined by statute) with respect to a particular improvement-
  - B. if improvements are related to the security and protection of school property
  - C. if, pursuant to R.C. 9.48, the Board participates in a joint purchasing program, operated by or through a national or State association of political subdivisions in which the Boardis eligible for membership or through the Federal government or another political subdivision
  - D. if supplies, services, or materials are to be purchased from a qualified nonprofit agency pursuant to Sections 4115.31 to 4115.35

The Superintendent shall verify that the specifications for any public improvement project for which bids are solicited do not require any bidder

A. to enter into agreements with labor organizations on said public improvement; or

B. to enter into an agreement that requires its employees to become members of or pay fees or dues to a labor organization as a condition of employment or continued employment.

Bidding shall be conducted in accordance with R.C. 3313.46 and related statutes. Bids shall be sealed and shall be opened by the Treasurer or designee in the presence of at least one (1) witness. Soliciting of Bids

The Board, by resolution, may award a bid to the lowest responsible bidder. For a bidder to be deemed responsible, the Board may request evidence from the bidder concerning:

- 1. the experience (type of product or service being purchased, etc.) of the bidder;
- 2. the financial condition;
- 3. the conduct and performance on previous contracts (with the District or other agencies);
- 4. the bidder's facilities;
- 5. management skills;
- 6. the ability to execute the contract properly;
- 7. a signed affidavit affirming that neither the bidder nor any sub-contractor has entered into an agreement with any labor organization regarding the public improvement project.

#### Awarding of Bids

The Board shall approve all contracts resulting from competitive bids prior to being awarded. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

In situations in which the Board has resolved to award a bid to the lowest responsible bidder and the low bidder does not meet the considerations specified above, the Board shall so notify the bidder, in writing, by certified mail.

### **Limitations**

The Treasurer is authorized to adjust appropriations within a fund in order to make necessary purchases and shall report such modifications at the following regular Board meeting.

### Then and Now Certificate

If the Treasurer can certify that both at the time of the purchase and at the time of certification, sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of the respective fund, properly appropriated and free from previous encumbrance, the expenditure may be authorized. The Board may approve such payment within thirty (30) days from receipt of such certificate.

Amounts of less than \$3,000 may be paid by the Treasurer upon completion of the "then and now" certificate, provided that the expenditure is otherwise lawful.

The Superintendent is authorized to make emergency purchases, without prior adjustment, of those goods and/or services needed to keep the schools in operation. Such purchases shall be brought to the Board's attention at the next regular meeting.

### **Contracts for Development and Improvement of Facilities**

All contemplated contracts for professional design services such as from an architect or for construction management shall be in accordance with R.C. 9.33 - 9.335 and R.C. 153.65 - 153.71 as applicable, as well as any relevant provisions of the OhioAdministrative Code.

# Competitive Bidding

When the Board determines to build, repair, enlarge, improve, or demolish a school building the cost of which will exceed \$50,000, or for the purchase (or lease-purchase) of school buses, the Treasurer shall obtain competitive bids.

In accordance with statute, the Board may elect to forego the bidding for contracts in any of the following situations if:

1. the Board elects and declares by resolution to participate in purchase contracts, in accordance with R.C.

Chapter 125 and the terms and conditions prescribed by the Department of Administrative Services

- 2. the Board determines and declares by resolution adopted by two thirds (2/3's) of its members that any item is available and can be acquired only from a single source
- 3. <u>the Board declares by resolution adopted by two-thirds (2/3's) of its members that the installation,</u> <u>modification, and/or remodeling subject to contracting is involved in an energy conservation measure</u> <u>undertaken through an installment payment contract under R.C. 3313.372 or pursuant to R.C. 133.06(G)</u>
- 4. the Board finds and determines that an urgent necessity exists (as defined by statute) with respect to a particular improvement'
- 5. pursuant to R.C. 9.48, the Board participates in a joint purchasing program, operated by or through a national or State association of political subdivisions in which the Board is eligible for membership or through the Federal government or another political subdivision

The Superintendent shall verify that the specifications for any public improvement project for which bids are solicited do not require any bidder to:

- 1. enter into agreements with labor organizations on said public improvement; or
- 2. <u>enter into an agreement that requires its employees to become members of or pay fees or dues to a labor</u> <u>organization as a condition of employment or continued employment.</u>

Bidding shall be conducted in accordance with R.C. 3313.46 and related statutes.

Bids shall be sealed and shall be opened by the Treasurer or designee in the presence of at least one (1) witness.

### Soliciting of Bids

The Board, by resolution, may award a bid to the lowest responsible bidder. For a bidder to be deemed responsible, the Board may request evidence from the bidder concerning:

- 1. chased, etc.) of the bidder;
- 2. the financial condition;
- 3. the conduct and performance on previous contracts (with the District or other agencies);
- 4. the bidder's facilities;
- 5. management skills;
- 6. the ability to execute the contract properly;
- 7. <u>a signed affidavit affirming that neither the bidder nor any sub-contractor has entered into an agreement</u> with any labor organization regarding the public improvement project.

### Awarding of Bids

The Board shall approve all contracts resulting from competitive bids prior to being awarded. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

In situations in which the Board has resolved to award a bid to the lowest responsible bidder and the low bidder does not meet the considerations specified above, the Board shall so notify the bidder, in writing, by certified mail.

Purchase of School Buses and Certain Other Motor Vehicles

The Board shall use competitive bidding to enter into an agreement for the purchase or lease-purchase of a school bus unless an exception to bidding applies. The term "school bus" includes any vehicle designed to carry more than nine (9) passengers excluding the driver. Bids shall indicate that prior to delivery the bus must comply with all applicable State laws and regulations, including the Ohio Pupil Transportation Operation and Safety Rules. No bid bonds will be required unless requested by the Board during the competitive bidding process. The Board is not required to use competitive bidding to rent or lease a school bus as long as the agreement does not include a provision for purchase of the bus.

For the purchase of motor vehicles other than school buses, the Board will follow the adopted procedures to obtain price quotations prior to purchase when applicable. Standardized purchasing procedures of the District shall be followed when purchasing a motor vehicle other than a school bus.

#### Lease-Purchase Agreements

Lease-purchase agreements entered into by the Board shall be in accordance with R.C. 3313.375. Such agreements shall be a series of one-year renewable lease terms totaling not more than thirty (30) years, after which time ownership is transferred to the Board if all obligations of the Board under the agreement have been satisfied.

### Purchases from the State

In accordance with State law (R.C. 4115.31 - 4115.35), the Superintendent shall, in accordance with rules of the State committee for the purchase of products and services provided by persons with severe disabilities, procure products or services at the fair market price established by the committee from a qualified nonprofit agency for persons with severe disabilities, if the product or service is on the procurement list and is available within the period required by the District, notwithstanding any law requiring the purchase of products and services on a competitive bid basis.

### **Quantity Purchases**

In order to promote efficiency and economy in the operation of the District, the Board requires that the Treasurer or designee periodically estimate requirements for standard items or classes of items and make quantity purchases to procure the lowest cost consistent with good quality.

#### Requirements

Before the Treasurer places a purchase order, s/he shall check as to whether the proposed purchase is subject to bid, whether sufficient funds exist in the budget, and whether the material might be available elsewhere in the District. All purchase orders shall be numbered consecutively.

In the interests of economy, fairness, and efficiency in its business dealings, the Board requires that:

- A. items commonly used in the various schools or units thereof, be standardized whenever consistency with educational goals can be maintained;
- B. opportunity be provided to as many responsible suppliers as possible to do business with the School District. To this end, the Treasurer or designee shall develop and maintain lists of potential suppliers for various types of supplies, equipment, and services;
- C. a prompt and courteous reception, insofar as conditions permit, be given to all who call on legitimate business matters;
- D. where the requisitioner has recommended a supplier, the Treasurer or designee may make alternate suggestions to the requisitioner if, in his/her judgment, better service, delivery, economy, or utility can be achieved by changing the proposed order.

Employees may be held personally responsible for anything purchased without a properly-signed purchase order or authorization.

The Board may acquire equipment as defined in law by lease, by installment payments, by entering into lease-purchase agreements, or by lease with an option to purchase, provided the contract sets forth the terms of such a purchase and the purchase complies with applicable law and Board policy.

### Procurement - Federal Grants

The Superintendent shall maintain a procurement and contract administration system in accordance with the USDOE requirements (34 CFR 80.36) for the administration and management of Federal grants and Federally-funded programs. The District shall maintain a compliance system that requires contractors to perform in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of their contracts or purchase orders. Except as otherwise noted, procurement transactions shall conform to the provisions of this policy and administrative guidelines (AG 6320). (See Policy 6325)

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### 6325 - PROCUREMENT – FEDERAL GRANTS/FUNDS

Procurement of all supplies, materials, equipment, and services paid for from Federal funds or District matching funds shall be made in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local statutes and/or regulations, the terms and conditions of the Federal grant, Board of Education policies, and administrative procedures.

The Superintendent shall maintain a procurement and contract administration system in accordance with the USDOE requirements (2 CFR 200.317-.326), including affirmative steps for small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises, for the administration and management of Federal grants and Federally-funded programs. The District shall maintain a contract administration system that requires contractors to perform in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of their contracts or purchase orders. Except as otherwise noted, procurement transactions shall conform to the provisions of the District's documented general purchasing Policy 6320 and AG 6320A.

All District employees, officers, and agents who have purchasing authority shall abide by the standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees, officers, and agents engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts as established in Policy 1130, Policy 3113 and Policy 4113 – Conflict of Interest.

The District will avoid acquisition of unnecessary or duplicative items. Additionally, consideration shall be given to consolidating or breaking out procurements to obtain a more economical purchase. And, where appropriate, an analysis shall be made of lease versus purchase alternatives, and any other appropriate analysis to determine the most economical approach. These considerations are given as part of the process to determine the allowability of each purchase made with Federal funds.

To foster greater economy and efficiency, the District may enter into State and local intergovernmental agreements where appropriate for procurement or use of common or shared goods and services.

# Competition

All procurement transactions paid for from Federal funds or District matching funds shall be conducted in a manner that encourages full and open competition and that is in accordance with good administrative practice and sound business judgment. In order to promote objective contractor performance and eliminate unfair competitive advantage, the District shall exclude any contractor that has developed or drafted specifications, requirements, statements of work, or invitations for bids or requests for proposals from competition for such procurements.

Some of the situations considered to be restrictive of competition include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. unreasonable requirements on firms in order for them to qualify to do business
- B. unnecessary experience and excessive bonding requirements

- C. noncompetitive contracts to consultants that are on retainer contracts
- D. organizational conflicts of interest
- E. specification of only a "brand name" product instead of allowing for an "or equal" product to be offered and describing the performance or other relevant requirements of the procurement
- F. any arbitrary action in the procurement process

Further, the District does not use statutorily or administratively imposed State, local, or tribal geographical preferences in the evaluation of bids or proposals, unless (1) an applicable Federal statute expressly mandates or encourages a geographic preference; or (2) the District is contracting for architectural and engineering services, in which case geographic location may be a selection criterion provided its application leaves an appropriate number of qualified firms, given the nature and size of the project, to compete for the contract.

To the extent that the District uses a pre-qualified list of persons, firms or products to acquire goods and services that are subject to this policy, the pre-qualified list includes enough qualified sources as to ensure maximum open and free competition. The District allows vendors to apply for consideration to be placed on the list as needed.

#### Solicitation Language

The District shall require that all solicitations made pursuant to this policy incorporate a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements for the material, product, or service to be procured. Such description shall not, in competitive procurements, contain features which unduly restrict competition. The description may include a statement of the qualitative nature of the material, product or service to be procured and, when necessary, shall set forth those minimum essential characteristics and standards to which it shall conform if it is to satisfy its intended use. Detailed product specifications should be avoided if at all possible.

When it is impractical or uneconomical to make a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements, a "brand name or equivalent" description may be used as a means to define the performance or other salient requirements of procurement. The specific features of the named brand which shall be met by offers shall be clearly stated; and identify all requirements which the offerors shall fulfill and all other factors to be used in evaluating bids or proposals.

The Board will not approve any expenditure for an unauthorized purchase or contract.

#### **Procurement Methods**

The District shall utilize the following methods of procurement:

A. Micro-purchases

Procurement by micro-purchase is the acquisition of supplies or services, the aggregate dollar amount of which does not exceed \$10,000. To the extent practicable, the District shall distribute micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers. Micro-purchases may be made without soliciting competitive quotations if the Superintendent considers the price to be reasonable. The District maintains evidence of this reasonableness in the records of all purchases made by this method.

B. Small Purchases

Small purchase procedures provide for relatively simple and informal procurement methods for securing services, supplies, and other property that does not exceed the competitive bid threshold of \$250,000. Small purchase procedures require that price or rate quotations shall be obtained from three (3) qualified sources.

C. Sealed Bids

Sealed, competitive bids shall be obtained when the purchase of, and contract for, single items of supplies, materials, or equipment which amounts to \$250,000 and when the Board determines to build, repair, enlarge, improve, or demolish a school building/facility the cost of which will exceed \$50,000.

In order for sealed bidding to be feasible, the following conditions shall be present:

- 1. a complete, adequate, and realistic specification or purchase description is available;
- 2. two (2) or more responsible bidders are willing and able to compete effectively for the business; and

3. the procurement lends itself to a firm fixed price contract and the selection of the successful bidder can be made principally on the basis of price.

When sealed bids are used, the following requirements apply:

- 1. Bids shall be solicited in accordance with the provisions of State law and Policy 6320. Bids shall be solicited from an adequate number of qualified suppliers, providing sufficient response time prior to the date set for the opening of bids. The invitation to bid shall be publicly advertised.
- 2. The invitation for bids will include product/contract specifications and pertinent attachments and shall define the items and/or services required in order for the bidder to properly respond.
- 3. All bids will be opened at the time and place prescribed in the invitation for bids; bids will be opened publicly.
- 4. A firmly fixed price contract award will be made in writing to the lowest responsible bidder. Where specified in bidding documents, factors such as discounts, transportation cost, and life cycle costs shall be considered in determining which bid is lowest. Payment discounts may only be used to determine the low bid when prior experience indicates that such discounts are usually taken.
- 5. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids for sound documented reason.
- D. Competitive Proposals

Procurement by competitive proposal, normally conducted with more than one (1) source submitting an offer, is generally used when conditions are not appropriate for the use of sealed bids or in the case of a recognized exception to the sealed bid method.

If this method is used, the following requirements apply:

- 1. Requests for proposals shall be publicized and identify all evaluation factors and their relative importance. Any response to the publicized requests for proposals shall be considered to the maximum extent practical.
- 2. Proposals shall be solicited from an adequate number of sources.
- 3. The District shall use its written method for conducting technical evaluations of the proposals received and for selecting recipients.
- 4. Contracts shall be awarded to the responsible firm whose proposal is most advantageous to the program, with price and other factors considered.

The District may use competitive proposal procedures for qualifications-based procurement of architectural/engineering (A/E) professional services whereby competitors' qualifications are evaluated and the most qualified competitor is selected, subject to negotiation of fair and reasonable compensation. The method, where price is not used as a selection factor, can only be used in procurement of A/E professional services. It cannot be used to purchase other types of services though A/E firms are a potential source to perform the proposed effort.

E. Noncompetitive Proposals

Procurement by noncompetitive proposals allows for solicitation of a proposal from only one (1) source and may be used only when one (1) or more of the following circumstances apply:

- 1. the item is available only from a single source
- 2. the public exigency or emergency for the requirement will not permit a delay resulting from competitive solicitation
- 3. the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity expressly authorizes noncompetitive proposals in response to a written request from the District
- 4. after solicitation of a number of sources, competition is determined to be inadequate

### **Contract/Price Analysis**

The District shall perform a cost or price analysis in connection with every procurement action in excess of \$250,000, including contract modifications. A cost analysis generally means evaluating the separate cost elements that make up the total price, while a price analysis means evaluating the total price, without looking at the individual cost elements.

The method and degree of analysis is dependent on the facts surrounding the particular procurement situation; however, the District shall come to an independent estimate prior to receiving bids or proposals.

When performing a cost analysis, the District shall negotiate profit as a separate element of the price. To establish a fair and reasonable profit, consideration is given to the complexity of the work to be performed, the risk borne by the contractor, the contractor's investment, the amount of subcontracting, the quality of its record of past performance, and industry profit rates in the surrounding geographical area for similar work.

#### **Time and Materials Contracts**

The District uses a time and materials type contract only (1) after a determination that no other contract is suitable, and (2) if the contract includes a ceiling price that the contractor exceeds at its own risk. Time and materials type contract means a contract whose cost to the District is the sum of the actual costs of materials, and direct labor hours charged at fixed hourly rates that reflect wages, general and administrative expenses, and profit.

Since this formula generates an open-ended contract price, a time-and-materials contract provides no positive profit incentive to the contractor for cost control or labor efficiency. Therefore, the District sets a ceiling price for each contract that the contractor exceeds at its own risk. Further, the District shall assert a high degree of oversight in order to obtain reasonable assurance that the contractor is using efficient methods and effective cost controls.

#### **Suspension and Debarment**

The District will award contracts only to responsible contractors possessing the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed procurement. All purchasing decisions shall be made in the best interests of the District and shall seek to obtain the maximum value for each dollar expended. When making a purchasing decision, the District shall consider such factors as (1) contractor integrity; (2) compliance with public policy; (3) record of past performance; and (4) financial and technical resources.

The Superintendent shall have the authority to suspend or debar a person/corporation, for cause, from consideration or award of further contracts. The District is subject to and shall abide by the nonprocurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders 12549 and 12689, 2 CFR Part 180.

Suspension is an action taken by the District that immediately prohibits a person from participating in covered transactions and transactions covered under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR chapter 1) for a temporary period, pending completion of an agency investigation and any judicial or administrative proceedings that may ensue. A person so excluded is suspended. (2 CFR Part 180 Subpart G)

Debarment is an action taken by the Superintendent to exclude a person from participating in covered transactions and transactions covered under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR chapter 1). A person so excluded is debarred. (2 CFR Part 180 Subpart H)

The District shall not subcontract with or award subgrants to any person or company who is debarred or suspended. For contracts over \$25,000, the District shall confirm that the vendor is not debarred or suspended by either checking the Federal government's System for Award Management, which maintains a list of such debarred or suspended vendors at www.sam.gov; collecting a certification from the vendor; or adding a clause or condition to the covered transaction with that vendor. (2 CFR Part 180 Subpart C)

### **Bid Protest**

The District maintains the following protest procedures to handle and resolve disputes relating to procurements and, in all instances, discloses information regarding the protest to the awarding agency.

A bidder who wishes to file a bid protest shall file such notice and follow procedures prescribed by the Request For Proposals (RFPs) or the individual bid specifications package, for resolution. Bid protests shall be filed in writing with the Superintendent within seventy-two (72) hours of the opening of the bids in protest.

Within five (5) days of receipt of a protest, the Superintendent shall review the protest as submitted and render a decision regarding the merits of the protest and any impact on the acceptance and rejection of bids submitted. Notice of the filing of a bid protest shall be communicated to the Board and shall be so noted in any subsequent recommendation for the acceptance of bids and awarding of contracts.

Failure to file a notice of intent to protest, or failure to file a formal written protest within the time prescribed, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings.

## Maintenance of Procurement Records

The District maintains records sufficient to detail the history of all procurements. These records will include but are not necessarily limited to the following: rationale for the method of procurement, selection of contract type, contractor selection or rejection, and the basis for the contract price (including a cost or price analysis).

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### 6605 - CROWDFUNDING

This policy applies to the use of any form of crowdfunding utilizing an online service or website-based platform for the financial benefit or gain of the District – be it a specific classroom, grade level, department, school, or curricular or extracurricular activity. "Crowdfunding" refers to a campaign to collect typically small amounts of money from a large number of individuals to finance a project or fundraise for a specific cause. Through the use of personal networking, social media platforms, and other Internet based resources, funds are solicited or raised to support a specific campaign or project.

<u>"Crowdfunding" is defined as the solicitation of resources from individuals and/or organizations to support</u> identified activities or projects that enhance the educational program or a specific cause approved by the District. The solicitation is typically from a large number of individuals/organizations utilizing internet-based technologies.

Crowdfunding activities aimed at raising funds for a specific classroom or school activity, including extracurricular activity, or to obtain supplemental resources (e.g., supplies or equipment) that are not required to provide a free appropriate public education to any students in the classroom may be permitted, but only with the specific approval of the Superintendent.

All approved crowdfunding activities shall protect the privacy of students, children, and young adults in accordance with District policies and administrative guidelines and applicable State and Federal law, including FERPA and IDEIA.

Materials, supplies, equipment, and other proceeds of the crowdfunding activity shall become property of the District or school. Cash or equivalent payment to District personnel is prohibited. All fiscal transactions shall comply with appropriate District policies.

All crowdfunding activities are subject to AG 6605.

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### 7510 - USE OF DISTRICT PREMISES

The Board of Education believes that school premises should be made available for community purposes, provided that such use does not infringe on the original and necessary purpose of the property or interfere with the educational program of the schools and is harmonious with the purposes of this District.

For purposes of this policy, the terms "school premises" or "premises" refers to all indoor and outdoor structures, facilities, and land owned, rented, or leased by the Board. The term "non-school hours" refers to times prior to and after regular classroom instruction on a day that school is in session, and any day that school is not in session, including weekends, holidays, and vacation breaks

The Board will permit the use of -school premises when such permission has been requested in writing by a responsible organization. Priority will be given to a group of at least sevent (7) citizens, seventy-five percent (75%) of whom are residents of the District which has been approved by the Superintendent.

School premises shall be available for the below-listed uses. When there are competing interests, approval will be given according to the following priorities:

- A. uses directly related to the schools and the operations of the schools (including giving instructions in any branch of education, learning, or the arts)
- B. uses and groups indirectly related to the schools
- C. meetings of employee associations
- D. uses for voter registration and elections
- E. departments or agencies of government
- F. community organizations or groups or individuals primarily comprised of District residents/members of the community, including students (during non-school hours) and employees (when not working in the scope of their employment) formed or gathered for charitable, civic, social, religious, recreational (e.g., indoor or outdoor games or physical activities, either organized or unorganized, that are undertaken for exercise, relaxation, diversion, sport, or pleasure), and/or educational purposes, provided such meetings and/or entertainment is nonexclusive and open to the general public
- G. commercial or profit-making organizations, but not for profit-making purposes

School premises shall also be made available to any certified candidate for public office and any recognized political party or organization for the purpose of conducting public discussions of public questions and issues. School premises shall be free of charge and available only -during non-school hours. Users shall abide by all District policies, guidelines, and rules regarding the use of school premises and be liable for any damage incurred. Under no circumstances shall school premises be used to raise funds for political purposes.

The use of -school premises shall not be granted for private social functions or any purpose that is prohibited by law.

Should all or any part of the District's community be struck by a disaster, the Board shall make -school premises available, at no charge, for the housing, feeding, and care of victims or potential victims when requested by local, State, or Federal authorities. The Superintendent should meet with the Fire Department to establish a disaster preparedness plan in order to ensure that proper procedures are established to minimize confusion, inefficiency, and disruption of the educational program. (R.C. 5915.02-08)

The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for the granting of permission to use school premises including a schedule of fees which shall be adopted by the Board annually. Such guidelines are to include the following:

- A. Each user may be required to present evidence of the purchase of organizational liability insurance to the limit prescribed by District administrative guidelines.
- B. Use of school equipment in conjunction with the use of school -premises must be requested specifically in writing, and may be granted by the procedure by which permission to use –school premises is granted. The users of school equipment must accept liability for any damage or loss to such equipment that occurs while it is in their use. Where rules so specify, no item of equipment may be used except by a qualified operator.
- C. Users shall be liable financially for damage to the facilities and for proper chaperonage.
- D. District employees may use facilities not requiring a boiler operator, at no charge when requested in writing and upon approval of the Superintendent.

No liability shall attach to this District, or any of its employees and officers, specifically as a consequence of permitting access to - school premises.

# **Rules for Use for All District Facilities**

- A. <u>There shall not be any painting, staining or decorating on any interior or exterior walls, floors, glass and physical structures in our premises unless prior approval from the Superintendent.</u>
- B. <u>School property will not be obstructed with bolts, screws, or nails unless prior approval from the Superintendent.</u>
- C. All exit signs will remain visible at all times and are not to be covered.

### **Rules for Use of High School Auditorium**

The use of the auditorium is for approved groups in the District Facility Usage Policy.

- A. There shall be no eating or drinking at any time in the auditorium during events, including classroom or drama use time.
- B. There shall not be any painting on the interior walls or sets or signage applied to the walls (including balcony stairwells and balcony).
- C. Sets will not be adhered to the stage floor or auditorium walls with bolts, screws, or nails. All sets will be moveable sets.
- D. There shall be no painting on the stage floor.

- E. There shall be no cutting into the sides or top of the stage for outlets, etc.
- F. The first three (3) rows of seats will be removed and installed by maintenance personnel.
- G. Curtains on the stage shall not be removed.
- H. All exit signs will remain visible at all times and are not to be covered.

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### 7540.02 - WEB ACCESSIBILITY, CONTENT, APPS, AND SERVICES AND APPS

### A. Creating Content for Web Pages/Sites/Services and, Apps and Services

The Board of Education authorizes staff members  $\bigcirc$  and students to create web-content, apps and web services (see Bylaw 0100 Definitions) that will be hosted by the Board on its servers or District-affiliated servers and/or published on the Internet.

The web-content, <u>apps</u>, <u>and</u> services <u>and apps</u>-must comply with State and Federal law (e.g., copyright laws, Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)), and reflect the professional image/brand of the District, its employees, and students. <u>Web cContent</u>, <u>apps</u>, <u>and</u> services <del>and apps</del>-must be consistent with the Board's Mission Statement and staff-created web-content, <u>apps</u>, <u>and</u> services <del>and apps</del>-are subject to prior review and approval of the Superintendent before being published on the Internet and/or <u>utilizedused</u> with students.

#### [NOTE: CHOOSE EITHER ORONE, BOTH, OR NONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS.]

**C** Student-created web-content, <u>apps, and</u> services and <u>apps</u> are subject to Policy 5722 - School-Sponsored Student Publications and Productions.

**[**] The creation of web content, <u>apps, and services</u> and <u>apps</u> by students must be done under the supervision of a professional staff member.

### [END OF OPTIONS]

### B. Purpose of Content of District Web Pages/Sites, Apps, and Services

The purpose of <u>web</u>-content, <u>apps</u>, <u>and</u> services <del>and apps</del>-hosted by the Board on its servers or District-affiliated servers is to educate, inform, and communicate. The following criteria shall be used to guide the development of such <u>web</u>-content, <u>apps</u>, <u>and</u> services<del>-and apps</del>:

### 1. Educate

Content should be suitable for and usable by students and teachers to support the curriculum and the Board's Objectives as listed in the Board's Strategic Plan.

### 2. Inform

Content may inform the community about the school, teachers, students, or departments, including information about curriculum, events, class projects, student activities, and departmental policies.

### 3. Communicate

Content may communicate information about the plans, policies and operations of the District to members of the public and other persons who may be affected by District matters.

The information contained on the Board's website(s) should reflect and support the Board's Mission Statement, Educational Philosophy, and the School Improvement Process.

When the content includes a photograph or <u>personally identifiable</u> information relating to a student, the Board will abide by the provisions of Policy 8330 - Student Records.

All links included on the Board's website(s) or web services and apps must also meet the above criteria and comply with State and Federal law (e.g. copyright laws, CIPA, Section 504, ADA, and COPPA). Nothing in this paragraph shall prevent the District from linking the Board's website(s) to 1) recognized news/media outlets (e.g., local newspapers' web sites, local television stations' web sites) or 2) to websites, services and/or apps that are developed and hosted by outside commercial vendors pursuant to a contract with the Board. The Board recognizes that such third party web sites may not contain age-appropriate advertisements that are consistent with the requirements of Policy 9700.01, AG 9700B, and State and Federal law.

Under no circumstances is District-created web-content, <u>apps</u>, and services or <u>apps</u>, to be used for commercial purposes, advertising, political lobbying or to provide financial gains for any individual. Included in this prohibition is the fact no web-content contained on the District's web site may: (1) include statements or other items that support or oppose a candidate for public office, the investigation, prosecution or recall of a public official, or passage of a tax levy or bond issue; (2) link to a web site of another organization if the other web site includes such a message; or (3) communicate information that supports or opposes any labor organization or any action by, on behalf of, or against any labor organization.

[] Staff members are prohibited from requiring students to go to the staff member's personal web pages/sites (including, but not limited to, their Facebook, Instagram, or Pinterest pages) to check grades, obtain class assignments and/or class-related materials, and/or to turn in assignments.

**[**] If a staff member creates web content, apps, and services or apps related to his/her class, it must be hosted on the Board's server or a District-affiliated server.

**[**] Unless the web content, apps, and services or app contains student personally identifiable information, Board websites, apps, and services or apps that are created by students and/or staff members that are posted on the Internet should not be password protected or otherwise contain restricted access features, whereby only employees, student(s), or other limited groups of people can access the site. Community members, parents, employees, staff, students, and other web site users will generally be given full access to the Board's website(s), apps, and services and apps.

Web content, <u>apps</u>, <u>and</u> services <del>and apps</del> should reflect an understanding that both internal and external audiences will be viewing the information.

School website(s), web pages/sites, apps, and services and apps-must be located on Board-owned or District-affiliated servers.

The Superintendent shall prepare administrative guidelines defining the rules and standards applicable to the use of the Board's web site and the creation of web-content, <u>apps</u>, and <u>services</u> and <u>apps</u> by staff () and students.

The Board retains all proprietary rights related to the design of web-content, <u>apps</u>, and <u>services</u> and <u>apps</u>-that are hosted on Board-owned or District-affiliated servers, absent written agreement to the contrary.

Students who want their class work to be displayed on the Board's web site must have written parent permission and expressly license its display without cost to the Board.

Prior written parental permission is necessary for a student to be identified by name on the Board's web site.

### C. Website Accessibility

The District is committed to providing persons with disabilities an opportunity equal to that of persons without disabilities to participate in the District's programs, benefits, and services, including those delivered through electronic and information technology, except where doing so would impose an undue burden or create a fundamental alteration. The District is further committed to ensuring persons with disabilities are able to acquire the same information, engage in the same interactions, and enjoy the same benefits and services within the same timeframe as persons without a disability, with substantially equivalent ease of use: that they are not excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise subjected to discrimination in any District programs, services, and activities delivered online, as required by Section 504 and Title II of the ADA and their implementing regulations; and that they receive effective communication of the District's programs, services, and activities delivered online.

The District adopts this policy to fulfill this commitment and affirm its intention to comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794, 34 C.F.R. Part 104, Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. 12131, and 28 C.F.R. Part 35 in all respects.

# 1. Technical Standards

The District will adhere to the technical standards of compliance identified at

 www.rossfordschools.org
 [Insert link to the District's website]. The District

 measures the accessibility of online content and functionality according to the World Wide Web Consortium's

 Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0 Level AA, and the Web Accessibility Initiative - Accessible

 Rich Internet Applications Suite (WAI-ARIA 1.1) for web content.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ [insert another acceptable standard selected by the District].)(

[DRAFTING NOTE: OCR recommends WCAG 2.0 Level AA.]

# 2. Web Accessibility Coordinator

<u>The Board designates its Communications Specialist</u>) Section 504/ADA Compliance Coordinator(s) () Technology Director () \_\_\_\_\_\_ as the District's web accessibility coordinator(s). That individual(s) is responsible for coordinating and implementing this policy.Communications Specialist(

[]The Board commits to providing the Web Accessibility Coordinator with sufficient resources and authority to coordinate and implement this policy and any corresponding guideline(s) subject to oversight by the Superintendent and the Board.

[SELECT OPTION #1 OR OPTION #2][ ] [OPTION 1]See Board Policy 2260.01 for the Section 504/ADA Compliance Coordinator(s)' contact information.[ ] [OPTION #2]

The District's web accessibility coordinator(s) can be reached at: [Insert name or title, address, e-mail, phone] Communications Specialist 325 Superior St. Rossford, Ohio 43460 mthompson@rossfordschools.org 419-666-2010

# 3. Third Party Content

Links included on the Board's website(s), services, and apps that pertain to its programs, benefits, and/or services must also meet the above criteria and comply with State and Federal law (e.g. copyright laws, CIPA, Section 504, ADA, and COPPA). While the District strives to provide access through its website to online content provided or developed by third parties (including vendors, video-sharing websites, and other sources of online content) that is in an accessible format, that is not always feasible. The District's administrators and staff, however, are aware of this requirement with respect to the selection of online content available on its website that is related to the District's programs, benefits, and/or services for compliance with this criteria for all new content placed on the District's website after adoption of this policy.

Nothing in the preceding paragraph, however, shall prevent the District from including links on the Board's website(s) to:

- a. recognized news/media outlets (e.g., local newspapers' websites, local television stations' websites); or
- b. websites, services, and/or apps that are developed and hosted by outside vendors or organizations that

#### are not part of the District's program, benefits, or services.

The Board recognizes that such third party websites may not contain age-appropriate advertisements that are consistent with the requirements of Policy 9700.01, AG 9700B, and State and Federal law.

### 4. Regular Audits

The District, under the direction of the web accessibility coordinator(s) or his/her/their designees, will, at regular intervals, audit the District's online content and measure this content against the technical standards adopted above.

This audit will occur []() at least annually. () no less than once every two (2) years-

If problems are identified through the audit, such problems will be documented, evaluated, and, if necessary, remediated within a reasonable period of time.

### 5. Reporting Concerns or Possible Violations

If any student, prospective student, employee, guest, or visitor believes that the District has violated the technical standards in its online content, s/he may contact the web accessibility coordinator with any accessibility concerns. S/He may also file a formal complaint utilizing the procedures set out in Board Policy 2260 and Policy 2260.01 relating to Section 504 and Title II.

#### D. Instructional Use of Apps and Web-Services and Apps

The Board authorizes the use of <u>web-apps and</u> services <u>and/or apps</u> to supplement and enhance learning opportunities for students either in the classroom or for extended learning outside the classroom.

**[SELECT OPTION #1 or #2] [ ] [OPTION #1]** The Board requires the **()** Superintendent **()** \_\_\_\_\_\_ pre-approve each webapp and/or service and/or app that a teacher intends to use to supplement and enhance student learning. To be approved, the web app and/or service or app must have a FERPA-compliant privacy policy, as well as comply with all requirements of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) and the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) **()** and Section 504 and the ADA. **[END OF OPTION #1] [ ] [OPTION #2]** 

### [END OF OPTION #2]

The Board further requires

() the use of a Board-issued e-mail address in the login process.

() prior written parental permission to use a student's personal e-mail address in the login process.

### E. Training

The District will provide <u>annual ()</u> periodic training for its employees who are responsible for creating or distributing information with online content so that these employees are aware of this Policy and understand their roles and responsibilities with respect to web design, documents and multimedia content.)(

Such training shall be facilitated by an individual with sufficient knowledge, skill and experience to understand and employ the technical standards set forth in []Board policies and administrative guideline(s).

### F. One-Way Communication Using District Content, Apps, and Services

The District is authorized to use web pages/sites, apps and services to promote school activities and inform stakeholders and the general public about District news and operations.

Such communications constitute public records that will be archived.

When the Board or Superintendent designates communications distributed via District web pages/sites, apps and services to be one-way communication, public comments are not solicited or desired, and the website, app or service

is to be considered a nonpublic forum.

If the District uses a apps and web service that does not allow the District to block or deactivate public comments (e.g., Facebook, which does not allow comments to be turned-off, or Twitter, which does not permit users to disable private messages or mentions/replies), the District's use of that apps and web service will be subject to Policy 7544 - Use of Social Media, unless the District is able to automatically withhold all public comments.

If unsolicited public comments can be automatically withheld, the District will retain the comments in accordance with its adopted record retention schedule (see AP 8310A – Requests for Public Records and AG 8310E - Record Retention and Disposal), but it will not review or consider those comments.

[DRAFTING NOTE: Districts are advised to adopt a new category of records that covers such "hidden public comments" on social media. Unless dictated by State law, retention periods established by the District for such unsolicited communications should be limited.]

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### 8400 - SCHOOL SAFETY

The Board of Education is committed to maintaining a safe and drug-free environment in all of the District's schools. The Board believes that school crime and violence are multifaceted problems that need to be addressed in a manner that utilizes all available resources in the community through a coordinated effort of School District personnel, law enforcement agencies, and families. The Board further believes that school administrators and local law enforcement officials must work together to provide for the safety and welfare of students while they are at school or a school-related event or are on their way to and from school. The Board also believes that the first step in addressing school crime and violence is to assess the extent and nature of the problem(s) or threat, and then plan and implement strategies that promote school safety and minimize the likelihood of school crime and violence.

# Emergency Management Plan ("EMP")

To that end, the Superintendent shall develop and adopt a comprehensive Emergency Management Plan ("EMP") for each building under his/her control. In developing the EMP for each building, the Superintendent shall involve community law enforcement and safety officials (including, but not limited to, law enforcement, fire, emergency medical personnel, and any local divisions having county-wide emergency management), parents of students who are assigned to the building, and teachers and nonteaching employees assigned to the building. Each EMP shall contain the name, title (if applicable), contact information, and signature of each person involved in development of the EMP.

In developing the EMP, the Superintendent shall examine the environmental conditions and operations of each building to determine potential hazards to student and staff safety. The Superintendent shall further propose operating changes to promote the prevention of potentially dangerous problems and circumstances. The Superintendent shall incorporate remediation strategies into the EMP for any building where documented safety problems have occurred.

Each EMP will consist of four (4) parts:

- A. A single document to address all hazards that may negatively impact the school; including but not limited to active shooter, hostage, bomb threat, act of terrorism, bullying, and any other natural or manmade events that the Superintendent knew or should have reasonably known about that compromise the health or safety of students, employees, administrators, or property. The document will include:
  - 1. a hazard identification and risk analysis (i.e., a process to identify hazards and assess the vulnerability associated with each);
  - an all-hazards emergency operations plan organized around five (5) mission areas: prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery. The plan shall be compliant with the "National Incident Management System" (NIMS);

- 3. the access and functional needs of the students, teachers, and staff;
- 4. education for students, staff, and administrators to avoid, deter, or stop an imminent crime or safety issue, threatened or actual;
- 5. procedures for notifying law enforcement, fire, EMS, emergency management, mental health, and other outside experts who could assist in responding to and recovering from an emergency;

The plan shall be updated and revised at least every three (3) years from the previous date of compliance to reflect lessons learned and best practices to continually improve the plan. The emergency management test and actual emergencies at the school buildings will be a source for lessons learned.

- B. A floor plan unique to each floor of the building.
- C. A site plan that includes all building property and surrounding property.
- D. An emergency contact information sheet.

The Superintendent shall submit an electronic copy of each EMP s/he developed and adopted to the Ohio Department of Education ("ODE") not less than once every three (3) years, whenever a major modification to the building requires changes to the procedures outlined in the EMP, and whenever the information on the emergency contact information sheet changes. No later than the date prescribed by ODE, the Superintendent shall also file a copy of the current, updated EMP with the following:

- A. each law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the school building; and
- B. upon request, the local fire department, emergency medical service organization, and county emergency management agency serving the area in which the building is located.

The Superintendent will also file copies of updated EMPs with ODE and the above agencies within ten (10) days after s/he adopts the revised EMPs.

The EMP is not a public record.

The Superintendent shall prepare and conduct at least one (1) annual emergency management test, in accordance with rules adopted by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). By July 1st of every year, the Superintendent shall review the EMPs s/he previously developed and adopted, and certify in writing to the ODE that the EMPs are current and accurate.

The emergency management test must be a scheduled event; an actual emergency will not satisfy this requirement, even if an after-action report is produced. The emergency management test must be a tabletop, functional, or full-scale as defined in A.C. 3301-5-01, and each type shall be used once every three (3) years. It must include at least one (1) hazard from the hazard analysis in the EMP and at least one (1) functional content area. At least one (1) representative from law enforcement, fire, EMA, EMS, and/or behavioral health should be included.

Students may participate in the emergency management test at the discretion of the Principal. In deciding whether, and to what extent, to involve students in an emergency management test, the Principal should consider what benefit student inclusion in the emergency management test may have on the student population's preparation for an emergency and to enhance the safety of students in the building. The Principal shall also consider age-appropriate participation, guidance, and training in preparation for students' participation in the test.

The Superintendent shall submit an after-action report to the ODE no later than thirty (30) days after the emergency management test documenting the following: 1) date/time/weather/length of exercise; 2) the type of discussion/operations based exercise; 3) the scenario utilized; 4) the hazard(s) utilized (including safety data sheets, as appropriate); 5) the functional content area(s) utilized; and 6) the identification of at least three (3) strengths and at least three (3) improvement areas of the EMP discovered as a result of the emergency management test.

The Superintendent shall grant access to each school building under his/her control to law enforcement personnel and any local fire department, emergency medical service organization, and/or county emergency management agency that has requested a copy of the EMP, to enable such personnel and entities to conduct training sessions for responding to threats and emergency events affecting the school building. Such access shall be provided outside of student instructional hours and the Superintendent or designee shall be present in the building during the training sessions.

Prior to the opening day of each school year, the Superintendent shall inform each enrolled student and the student's parent/legal guardian of the procedures to be used to notify parents in the event of an emergency or a serious threat to safety. Any student enrolled in the school after the annual notification and their parent/legal guardian shall be notified upon enrollment. Also, see Policy 8420 - Emergency Situations at School.

### Safe and Drug Free Schools

As a part of the EMP, the Board shall verify that it has procedures in place for keeping schools safe and drug-free that include (see also, Form 8330 F15 entitled Checklist of Policies and Guidelines Addressing <u>Safe and Drug Free Schools</u>No-Child Left Behind Act of 2001):

- A. appropriate and effective school discipline policies that prohibit disorderly conduct, the illegal possession of weapons and the illegal use, possession, distribution, and sale of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs by students;
- B. security procedures at school and while students are on the way to and from school;
- C. prevention activities that are designed to maintain safe, disciplined and drug-free environments;
- D. a code of conduct or policy for all students that clearly states the responsibilities of students, teachers, and administrators in maintaining a classroom environment that:
  - 1. allows a teacher to communicate effectively to all students in the class;
  - 2. allows all students in the class the opportunity to learn;
  - 3. has consequences that are fair, and developmentally appropriate;
  - 4. considers the student and the circumstances of the situation; and
  - 5. is enforced accordingly.

### Persistently Dangerous Schools

The Board recognizes that State and Federal law requires that the District report annually incidents which meet the statutory definition of violent criminal offenses that occur in a school, on school grounds, on a school conveyance, or at a school-sponsored activity. It is further understood that the State Department of Education will then use this data to determine whether or not a school is considered "persistently dangerous" as defined by State policy.

Pursuant to the Board's stated intent to provide a safe school environment, the school administrators are expected to respond appropriately to any and all violations of the Student Code of Conduct, especially those of a serious, violent nature. In any year where the number of reportable incidents of violent criminal offenses in any school exceed the threshold number established in State policy, the Superintendent shall discuss this at the annual meeting for the purpose of reviewing the EMP so that a plan of corrective action can be developed and implemented in an effort to reduce the number of these incidents in the subsequent year.

The Superintendent shall make a report to the Board about this plan of corrective action and shall recommend approval and adoption of it.

In the unexpected event that the number of reportable incidents in three (3) consecutive school years exceeds the statutory threshold and the school is identified as persistently dangerous, students attending the school shall have the choice option as provided in Policy 5113.02 and AG 5113.02.

In addition, the Superintendent shall convene a meeting of the building administrator, representative(s) of the local law enforcement agency, and any other individuals deemed appropriate for the purpose of developing a plan of corrective action that can be implemented in an effort to reduce the number of these incidents in the subsequent year.

# **Victims of Violent Crime**

The Board further recognizes that, despite the diligent efforts of school administrators and staff to provide a safe school environment, an individual student may be a victim of a violent crime in a school, on school grounds, on a school conveyance, or at a school-sponsored activity. In accordance with Federal and State law the parents of the eligible student shall have the choice options provided by Policy 5113.02 and AG 5113.02.

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### 8500 - FOOD SERVICES

The Board of Education shall provide cafeteria facilities in all school facilities where space and facilities permit, and will provide food service for the purchase and consumption of lunch for all students. The Board shall annually encumber the funds needed to operate the program.

The food-service program shall comply with Federal and State regulations pertaining to the selection, preparation, consumption, and disposal of food and beverages, including but not limited to the current USDA's school meal pattern requirements and the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, as well as to the fiscal management of the program. In addition, as required by law, a food safety program that is based on the principles of the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system shall be implemented with the intent of preventing food-borne illnesses. For added safety and security, access to the facility and the food stored and prepared therein shall be limited to food service program staff and other authorized persons.

The Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation or transgender identity), disability, age (except as authorized by law), religion, military status, ancestry, or genetic information (collectively, "Protected Classes") in its educational programs or activities. Students and all other members of the School District community and third parties are encouraged to promptly report incidents of unlawful discrimination and/or retaliation to a teacher, administrator, supervisor, or other District official so that the Board may address the conduct. See Policy 2260 – Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity.

The Board shall approve and implement nutrition standards governing the types of food and beverages that may be sold on the premises of its schools and shall specify the time and place each type of food or beverage may be sold. In adopting such standards, the Board shall:

- A. consider the nutritional value of each food or beverage;
- B. consult with a dietitian licensed under R.C. Chapter 4759, a dietetic technician registered by the commission on dietetic registration, or a school nutrition specialist certified or credentialed by the school nutrition association; and
- C. consult and incorporate to the maximum extent possible the dietary guidelines for Americans jointly developed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and
- D. consult and incorporate the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines.

No food or beverage may be sold on any school premises except in accordance with the standards approved by the Board.

In addition, as required by law, a food safety program that is based on the principles of the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system shall be implemented with the intent of preventing food-borne illnesses. For added safety and security, access to the facility and the food stored and prepared therein shall be limited to food service program staff and other authorized persons.

The Board shall provide a Federal food service program for students during summer intervention programs that are mandated under Federal law. If the Board determines that it is unable to provide a Federal food service program during the summer, for financial reasons, the Board will communicate that decision to its residents in a manner it determines to be appropriate.

During all times while the food service program is operating and students are being served food, at least one (1) employee shall be present in the area in which the food is being consumed who has received instruction in methods to prevent choking and demonstrated an ability to perform the Heimlich maneuver.

# **Substitutions**

If determined appropriate by a student's Section 504 team, substitutions to the standard meal requirements shall be made, at no additional charge, for students for whom a health care provider who has prescriptive authority in the State of Ohio has provided medical certification that the student has a disability that restricts his/her diet, in accordance with the criteria set forth in 7 CFR Part 15b. To qualify for such substitutions the medical certification must identify:

- 1. the student's disability and the major life activity affected by the disability;
- 2. an explanation of why the disability affects the student's diet; and
- 3. <u>the food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet and the food or choice of foods that must be substituted</u> (e.g., caloric modifications or use of liquid nutritive formula).

If determined appropriate by a team of qualified individuals including, but not limited to, the Principal, school nurse, parent, Director of Food Services, substitutions to the standard meal requirements may be made, at no additional charge, for a students who isare not a "disabled persons," but hasve a signed statement from a qualified medical authority that the student cannot consume certain food items due to medical or other special dietary needs. To qualify for such consideration and substitutions the medical statement must identify:

- 1. the medical or dietary need that restricts the student's diet; and
- 2. <u>the food(s) to be omitted from the student's diet and the food(s) or choice of foods that may be</u> <u>substituted.</u>

For non-disabled students who need a nutritionally equivalent milk substitute, only a signed request by a parent or guardian is required.

Lunches sold by the school may be purchased by students and staff members and community residents in accordance with administrative guidelines established by the Superintendent. Lunches may be made available, free of charge, to senior citizens who are serving as volunteers to the District.

The operation and supervision of the food-service program shall be the responsibility of the Food Service Supervisor. In accordance with Federal law, the Food Service Supervisor shall take such actions as are necessary to obtain a minimum of two (2) food safety inspections per school year, which are conducted by the State or local governmental agency responsible for food safety inspections. The report of the most recent inspection will be posted in a publicly visible location, and a copy of the report will be available upon request.

A periodic review of the food-service accounts shall be made by the Treasurer. Any surplus funds from the National School Lunch Program shall be used to reduce the cost of the service to students or to purchase cafeteria equipment. Surplus funds from a-la-carte foods may accrue to the food-service program.

Bad debt incurred through the inability to collect lunch payment from students is not an allowable cost chargeable to any Federal program. Any related collection cost, including legal cost, arising from such bad debt after they have been determined to be uncollectable are also unallowable.

Bad debt is uncollectable/delinquent debt that has been determined to be uncollectable. If the uncollectable/delinquent debt

cannot be recovered by the School Meals Program, then this is classified as bad debt. Once classified as bad debt, non-Federal funding sources must reimburse the NSFSA for the total amount of the bad debt. The funds may come from the district general fund, state or local funding, school or community organizations such as the PTA, or any other non-federal source. Once the uncollectable/delinquent debt charges are converted to bad debt, records relating to those charges must be maintained in accordance with the record retention requirements in 7 CFR 210.9(b) (17) and 7 CFR 210.15(b).

The Superintendent is authorized to develop and implement an administrative guideline regarding meal charge procedures. This guideline will provide consistent directions for students who are eligible for reduced price or paid meals but do not have funds in their account or in hand to cover the cost of their meal at the time of service.

This guideline shall be provided in writing to all households at the start of each school year and to households transferring to the school or School District during the school year.

With regard to the operation of the school food service program, the Superintendent shall require:

- A. the maintenance of sanitary, neat premises free from fire and health hazards;
- B. the preparation of food that complies with Federal food safety regulations;
- C. the planning and execution of menus in compliance with USDA requirements;
- D. the purchase of food and supplies in accordance with State and Federal law, USDA regulations, and Board policy; (see Policy 1130, Policy 1214, Policy 3113, Policy 3214, Policy 4113, Policy 4214, and Policy 6460)
- E. complying with food holds and recalls in accordance with USDA regulations;
- F. the administration, accounting, and disposition of food-service funds pursuant to Federal and State law and USDA regulations;
- G. the safekeeping and storage of food and food equipment pursuant to State and Federal law and USDA regulations;
- H. the regular maintenance and replacement of equipment;
- I. all District employees whose salaries are paid for with USDA funds or non- Federal funds used to meet a match or cost share requirement must comply with the District's time and effort record-keeping policy (see Policy 6116).

In accordance with the nutritional standards adopted by the Board, the placement of vending machines in any classroom where students are provided instruction, unless the classroom is also used to serve meals to students, is prohibited.

The District shall serve only nutritious food in accordance with the nutritional standards adopted by the Board in compliance with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines. Foods and beverages in competition with the District's food-service program must comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines. Foods for Americans and the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines for Americans and the USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition guidelines, and may only be sold in accordance with Board Policy 8550.

The Superintendent will require that the food service program serve foods in the schools of the District that are wholesome and nutritious and reinforce the concepts taught in the classroom.

The Superintendent is responsible for implementing the food service program in accordance with the adopted nutrition standards and shall provide a report regarding the District's compliance with the standards at one of its regular meetings annually.

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