

Scott County Board of Education

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1 **Administrative Personnel**

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3 Administrative and supervisory personnel shall have no financial interest, directly or indirectly, in
4 supplying books, maps, school furniture, or apparatus for the schools or to act as agent for any author,
5 publisher, bookseller, or dealer in school furniture or apparatus, however a spouse or family member of
6 a principal, teacher or other school administrative employee may participate in business transaction with
7 the school system where a sealed competitive bid system is used, provided that the employee does not have
8 discretion in the selection of bids of specifications.¹

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10 It shall be a misdemeanor for the director of schools to take any other contract under the Board, to perform
11 any other service for additional compensation, to act as principal or teacher in any school, or to become
12 the owner of a school warrant other than that allowed for his/her service as director of schools or as
13 secretary to the Board.²

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15 **Professional and Support Personnel**

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17 Employees of the Board will not engage in, or have financial interest in, any activity that raises a
18 reasonable question of conflict of interest with their duties and responsibilities as members of the school
19 staff. This includes but is not limited to the following:

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21 1. School employees may not purchase for sale to students any goods or equipment or render any
22 service to the school system on a commission basis; ¹
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24 2. Employees who have patented or copyrighted any device, publication, or other item will not
25 receive royalties for use of such item in the school system;
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27 3. Employees will not engage in any type of work where the source of information concerning
28 a customer, client, or employer originates from information obtained through the school
29 system;
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31 4. The Board shall make no purchase of supplies, materials, or equipment from a school system
32 employee; and
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34 5. Employees shall not solicit for the purpose of selling instructional supplies, equipment and
35 reference books in a territory that includes the parents of the children of the school in which
36 the employee is assigned.

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38 Legal References:

- 39 1. TCA 49-6-2003
40 2. TCA 49-2-301(g)(h)

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38 Cross References:

- Purchasing 2.805
Bids and Quotations 2.806
Purchase Orders and Contracts 2.808
Employee-Developed Materials 4.405