

# Franklin Special Board of Education

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## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The Board urges its employees to participate constructively in all activities of the community which have as their objectives the improvement of the general welfare of the community, state, and nation. The Board wishes all employees to be well informed concerning the educational philosophy, goals, policies, regulations, and programs of the school system and to seek opportunities to interpret the school system to members of the community.

Employees have a right to express their views on any issue, even when the view is in opposition to a view expressed in board policy or board action. However, employees have the duty in each case to make clear in their statements that the view expressed is not the official view of the Board or school system.

## POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

Employees may, on their own time, campaign for or against any candidate or referendum, but they shall not use the classroom or system position for political forum nor engage in any political promotion or solicitation during school hours.

Any employee who intends to campaign for an elective public office which infringes upon a contracted agreement shall present a proposed solution to the Board for consideration. The essential element to be determined by the Board is whether the activities proposed by the employee are consistent with his services to the school system and the best interests of education.

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Cross References:

- Board-Community Relations 1.500
- News Releases, News Conferences & Interviews 1.503
- Advertising & Distribution of Materials in Schools 1.806