

Community Relations

Law Enforcement Agencies

Because of the many support services which local law enforcement agencies provide to the schools, staff, and students, the Guilford Board of Education supports the best possible relationship with those agencies consistent with District responsibilities to protect legal rights of staff and students.

The Superintendent is directed to establish lines of communication with local law enforcement agencies to effect necessary cooperation toward ensuring the security of the school facilities, the safety of students and staff, and for better student education about law enforcement agencies.

(cf. 5614 Search/Seizure)

Community RelationsFire Department

Members of the volunteer fire department and the Town Fire Marshall play a vital role in the school safety program. The Superintendent of Schools and administrative staff shall have the following responsibility:

1. Establish and maintain relationships with the local Fire Marshall and fire departments.
2. Work with the faculty in determining the nature and timing of the department's participation in the school program.
3. Coordinate and supervise planned activities.

As necessary or appropriate administrators shall seek the advice and cooperation of the Fire Marshall and fire department in:

1. Planning and conduct of fire drills.
2. Fire prevention education.
3. First aid, especially in fire related incidents.
4. Conforming to state and local fire codes.

(cf. 6114--Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness)

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Relations Between Area, State, Regional, and National Associations, and the Schools

Membership in recognized associations such as the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education may be maintained by the schools for several reasons, including:

1. In-service education benefits to staff and Board of Education from participation in meetings, conferences, clinics, and conventions.
2. Access to the communication media of such associations, such as newsletters, periodicals, and advisory services.
3. Representation in actions affecting education in general and the Guilford Public Schools in particular.

The Board of Education shall review memberships annually through its budget deliberations; if such memberships are approved, budgets shall include in appropriate accounts funding for such memberships.

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The Board of Education recognizes the potential value of cooperative relationships with other schools, school districts, colleges, and educational organizations. It encourages members of the school staff to work with their counterparts in such organizations on educational matters within the framework established by the statutes, State regulations, and Board of Education policy.

Community RelationsRelations with Parochial and Private Schools

In recognition of the educational, cultural, and economic values which parochial and private schools provide to the parents, citizens, and taxpayers of the community, the Board of Education shall make available, within applicable Federal and State guidelines and limitations, public school services to resident pupils of the community who attend parochial or private schools.

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