



PUBLIC COMMENT AT BOARD MEETINGS

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing.

The School Board appreciates members of the public attending School Board meetings and welcomes comments as an order of business on the agenda, under the heading "Public Comment" normally included on the agenda of the second Board Meeting each month. School Board members do not respond to public comment during a meeting or hearing and may not take formal action on a subject raised.

The following guidelines are provided to be respectful to all participants, including Board members:

1. Each person wishing to address the Board shall **register their intent to comment** by signing in upon their arrival at the beginning of the meeting including their name, comment topic, and the name of the organization he/she represents, if any.
2. After the Board President **recognizes the speaker** they may approach the podium, speak into the microphone, state their name, and begin their comment.
3. Each individual is allowed five **(5) minutes** or less to speak. In doing so, more individuals will have an opportunity to speak.
4. The Board allows a maximum of thirty **(30) minutes** for public comment to provide ample time to conduct their normal meeting business.
5. The Board may **discuss** topics raised by the public; however, **no Board action may be taken** on such topics other than to refer to topics not included on the agenda for study by appropriate Board committees or administrative personnel.
6. The Board of Education **will not** allow public comment on sensitive or confidential topics involving students or employees. The confidentiality of students and student behavior will be respected.
 - o Members of the public who wish to express their views regarding student or employee conduct may comment via phone call or in writing to the District Administrator or a Board member.
7. Unless a statute specifically applies, a governmental body is free to determine for itself whether and to what extent it will allow citizen participation at its meeting.
8. Any person needing accommodations in order to provide public comment should contact the school district office at 920-675-1000 at least 3 business days prior to the meeting to request assistance.

In keeping with our "Strong Schools = Strong Community" belief and commitment, it is our hope that we can all work together to meet the needs of our students, staff, and community. We have a great School District, one where respect and caring have been held in high regard. While we all may not agree on a specific subject and/or decision made by those in authority, we should not diminish our reputation of being respectful/caring individuals.

Thank you again for your attendance and for sharing your views this evening.

Ref. Board Policy 0167.3