

School District #62 (Sooke)

POLICIES & REGULATIONS	No.: A-500
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SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

The establishment of policies which provide direction and guidance in the operation of the school district is viewed by the Board of Education as a key responsibility. Statements of policy indicate the Board's intent, and while such statements are generally broad enough to allow discretionary action, they are specific enough to provide clear direction to those responsible for implementing the policy decisions of the Board.

Where appropriate, a Board Policy may be accompanied by a Regulation. A Regulation indicates how the Board's policies will be implemented and how the Board governs its own organization and activities.

Statements of policy and regulations will be effective only upon adoption by the Board. In developing or revising policy, and in approving the development or revision of regulations, the Board will consult with groups or individuals affected.

Where a motion to be considered by the Board will, if passed, require a change in existing Board Policy, it shall be preceded by a Notice of Motion to change that policy.

From time to time minor updating of a policy or its regulations is needed to reflect current nomenclature and other operational requirements such as gender language, number sequences and references to changed external documents. Such updating may be done without submission of each updated policy to the Board. The Board must be advised in writing of any such updates for their information. This process will not change the intent of any documents.