

School Board Member Code of Ethics

The Board of Education (the “Board”) of Mapleton Public Schools (the “District”) adopts the following code of ethics for members of the Board.

As a member of the Board, we will strive to improve public education, and to that end, we commit to:

- Attend all regularly scheduled Board meetings insofar as possible, and become informed concerning the issues to be considered at those meetings;
- Endeavor to make policy decisions only after full discussion at publicly held Board meetings;
- Render all decisions based on the available facts and independent judgment, and refuse to surrender that judgment to individuals or special interest groups;
- Encourage the free expression of opinion by all Board members, and seek systematic communications between the Board and students, staff, and all elements of the community;
- Work with other Board members to establish effective Board policies;
- Delegate authority for the administration of the schools to the Superintendent;
- Communicate to other Board members and the Superintendent expression of public reaction to Board policies and school programs;
- Be informed about current educational issues by individual study and through participation in programs providing needed information, such as those sponsored by State and national school board associations;
- Support the employment of those persons best qualified to serve as school staff, and insist on a regular and impartial evaluation of all staff;
- Avoid being placed in a position of conflict of interest;
- Take no private action that will compromise the Board or administration, and respect the confidentiality of information that is privileged under applicable law; and,
- Remember always that the first and greatest concern must be the educational welfare of the students of Mapleton Public Schools.

Adopted September 26, 2017, by the Board of Education for Mapleton Public Schools.