

POLICY

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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LOCAL UNITS

The board wishes to cooperate as fully as possible with other community agencies that serve district pupils. Cooperation will include pooling resources and exchanging information with other community agencies. The chief school administrator shall develop positive working relationships with outside agencies that enhance and/or ensure the education and safety of the pupils, including but not limited to, police authorities, fire departments, Division of Child Protection and Permanency, emergency room and/or squad, other school districts, and all other agencies providing services to district pupils. The board may accept and/or share the use of equipment and/or facilities with other local organizations.

Police Authorities:

The board will cooperate with law enforcement agencies for the welfare of all citizens, and to be in compliance with current memorandum of agreement between education and law enforcement officials. The school also has the responsibility to parents/guardians for the welfare of their children while they are in school. To carry out this dual responsibility, the administration is directed to implement board policies 5131.5, 5131.6, 5131.7, 5145.11, and 5145.12.

Municipal Government:

The board recognizes that school and municipal officials should maintain a close and harmonious association within their respective areas of authority. Such liaison is requisite for dealing with school/community matters and problems in the most satisfactory manner.

To maintain fiscal cooperation with the municipality, the board, the chief school administrator, and the school business administrator may meet with municipal officials to present the annual budget proposal.

The board and the appropriate emergency agencies may develop a plan for the use of facilities in an emergency.

Fire Department:

The chief school administrator shall seek input from local fire officials when course materials on fire safety are being reviewed and revised. The fire department should be kept up to date on changes in the school building and classroom locations so that they will be prepared in the event of an emergency. All fires shall be reported to the local fire department in compliance with law.

Division of Child Protection and Permanency DCP&P:

Procedures for district cooperation with the Division of Child Protection and Permanency DCP&P are included with those implementing policy 5141.4 Child abuse and neglect.

Emergency Room/Squad:

The chief school administrator shall establish procedures whereby the facilities of the local hospital emergency and local ambulance/rescue squad may be called on in implementing policies 5131.6, 5141.1, 5141.6, and 6145.1/6145.

Cooperative Arrangements with Other School Districts:

The board desires that strong lines of communication be maintained with other districts and institutions that provide programs, training, or services to the children and staff and with districts whose resident pupils are enrolled in the programs in this district.

The district in which pupils are in attendance has responsibility and authority for those pupils. In order that those pupils receive maximum benefit from their program of studies, articulation between the cooperating institutions is essential.

Further, this school district shall cooperate with other school districts in the solution of common educational concerns. District staff under the direction of the chief school administrator shall participate in the coordination of such areas as research, exchange of information and data, coordination of curriculum, coordination of school calendar and activities, and any others where it may be advantageous to serve a broader area than this school district.

In order to maintain constructive relationships with the Regional High School District the administration shall:

- a. cooperate with the professional staff in articulation studies to ensure that pupils of this district are properly prepared to enter the schools of the receiving district;
- b. inform pupils in their final year in this district of program options in the receiving district and counsel them regarding their program choices;
- c. cooperate with the orientation program for pupils in their final year in this district to familiarize them with the facilities, procedures, and rules of the receiving district.

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