

Public Participation at School Board Meetings

The Board of Education welcomes audience participation through the use of the Public Comment portion of the regular school board meetings. Audience members are given the opportunity to sign up to speak prior to the start of each meeting. The form will be available at the meeting.

A total time of 30 minutes will be allotted for public participation with a maximum of 3 minutes per individual speaker. Individual speakers may not yield their allotted time to another speaker. The Board President will invite those who have signed up to stand and address the Board on any subject. Organized groups speaking on the same topic are restricted to a total of ten (10) minutes and are asked to cover only points not made previously. Copies for distribution are requested to be submitted prior to the meeting to the administration office.

Prior to addressing the Board of Education, Board members request that a solution be sought by following a simple step-by-step process, if at all possible. Questions and concerns involving any school program or personnel should be addressed through:

- Teacher
- Principal or Administrator
- Superintendent

If a question or concern cannot be resolved by following this procedure, any individual or staff member may request to appear before the Board of Education. Members of the public wishing to make formal presentations before the Board should make a request to be added to the agenda by calling, emailing or visiting the administration office two weeks prior to the regularly scheduled meeting.

The Board will listen with respect and asks those who address the board to do the same. In order to respect all persons, when addressing the board, we request that the audience address issues rather than personalities.

After the Public Comment section of the agenda, discussion topics may be restricted to Board members only. All Board of Education meetings are open to the public, but questions or concerns will not be resolved during the audience section. More information or study may be needed before the Board can respond to comments in writing.

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