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Goals

The administrative staff's primary functions are to manage the District and to facilitate the implementation of a quality educational program. It is the goal of the Board that the administrative organization:

1. provide for efficient and responsible supervision, implementation, evaluation and improvement of the instructional program, consistent with the policies established by the Board;
2. provide effective and responsive communication with staff, students, parents and other citizens; and
3. foster staff initiative and rapport.

The District's administrative organization shall be designed so that all divisions and departments of the District are part of a single system guided by Board policies which are implemented through the Superintendent. Principals and other administrators are expected to administer their facilities in accordance with Board policy and the Superintendent's rules and procedures.

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Superintendent

Duties and Authorities

The Superintendent is the District's executive officer and is responsible for the administration and management of the District schools, in accordance with Board policies and directives and state and federal law. The Superintendent is authorized to develop administrative procedures to implement Board policy and to delegate duties and responsibilities. Delegation of power or duty, however, shall not relieve the Superintendent of responsibility for the action which was delegated.

Qualifications and Appointment

The Superintendent must be of good character and of unquestionable morals and integrity. The Superintendent shall have the experience and the skills necessary to work effectively with the Board, District employees, students, and the community. The Superintendent shall have a valid superintendent's endorsement.

When the office of the Superintendent becomes vacant, the Board will conduct a search to find the most capable person for the position. Qualified staff members who apply for the position will be considered for the vacancy.

Evaluation

The Board will evaluate, at least annually, the performance of the Superintendent, using standards and objectives developed by the Superintendent and Board, which are consistent with the District's mission and goal statements. A specific time shall be designated for a formal evaluation session. The evaluation should include a discussion of strengths and weaknesses, as well as performance areas needing improvement.

Compensation and Benefits

The Board and the Superintendent shall enter into a contract approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. This contract shall govern the employment relationship between the Board and the Superintendent.

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District Organization

The Superintendent shall develop an organizational chart indicating the channels of authority and reporting relationships for school personnel. These channels should be followed, and no level should be bypassed, except in unusual circumstances.

The organization of District positions of employment for purposes of supervision, services, leadership, administration of Board policy, and all other operational tasks shall be on a “line and staff” basis. District personnel occupying these positions of employment shall carry out their duties and responsibilities on the basis of line and staff organization.

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Duties and Qualifications of Administrative Staff Other Than Superintendent Duty and Authority

As authorized by the Superintendent, administrative staff shall have full responsibility for the day-to-day administration of the area to which they are assigned. Administrative staff are governed by the policies of the District and are responsible for implementing the administrative procedures that relate to their assigned responsibilities.

Each administrator's duties and responsibilities shall be listed in the job description for that position.

Qualifications

All administrative personnel shall have a valid certificate and appropriate endorsements issued by the State Board of Education, and other qualifications as specified in the position's job description.

Administrative Work Year

The administrators' work year shall be the same as the District's fiscal year, unless otherwise stated in the employment agreement. In addition to legal holidays, the administrators shall have vacation periods as approved by the Superintendent.

Compensation and Benefits

All administrators shall be placed on a written contract approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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Employment Restrictions for Administrative Personnel

Time taken from the regularly assigned work schedule for such paid activities as consulting, college teaching, lecturing, etc., shall be subject to prior approval by the Superintendent.

The amount of time lost to the District will be, but is not restricted to be: deducted from vacation time; granted as additional personal leave as specified by board policy; or that time prorated to a dollar amount and that amount deducted from the next regularly scheduled pay period.

Time taken from the regularly assigned work schedule for non-paid activities shall follow the format established above.

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Principals

Principals are the chief administrators of their assigned schools. The primary responsibility of Principals is to supervise the operation and management of their assigned schools and shall be under the direct supervision of the Superintendent.

The majority of the Principals' time shall be spent on curriculum and staff development through formal and informal activities, establishing clear lines of communication regarding the school rules, accomplishments, practices, and policies with parents and teachers. Principals are responsible for management of their staff, maintenance of the facility and equipment, administration of the educational program, control of the students attending the school, management of the school's budget, and communication between the school and the community. Principals will be evaluated on their instructional leadership ability and their ability to maintain a positive education and learning environment.

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Evaluation of Administrative Staff

Each administrator shall be evaluated annually in order to provide guidance and direction to the administrator in the performance of his/her assignment. Such evaluation shall be based on the job description, accomplishment of annual goals and performance objectives, and established evaluative criteria.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for the conduct of these evaluations. Near the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent shall inform the administrator of the criteria to be used for evaluation purposes, including the adopted goals for the District. Such criteria shall include performance statements dealing with leadership; administration and management; school financing; professional preparation; effort toward improvement; interest in students, staff, citizens and programs; and staff evaluation.

Both staff members involved in the evaluation conference shall sign the written report and retain a copy for their records. The person being evaluated shall have the right to submit and attach a written statement to the evaluation within a reasonable time following the conference.

Cross Reference: 6140 Duties and Qualifications of Administrative Staff Other Than Superintendent

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-518 Employee Personnel Files

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Professional Growth and Development

The Board recognizes that training and study for administrators contributes to skill development necessary to better serve the needs of the District. Each year the Superintendent should develop an administrative in-service program based upon the needs of the District, as well as the needs of individual administrators.

Administrative staff are encouraged to be members of and participate in professional associations which have as their purposes the upgrading of school administration and the continued improvement of education in general.

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