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STAFF ETHICS

An employee speaking or writing as a citizen should be free from institutional censorship or discipline, but his/her special position in the community carries special obligations. The employee must remember that the public may judge the profession and institution by his/her utterances. Hence the employee should at all times, be accurate, exercise appropriate restraint, show respect for the opinion of others, and make every effort to indicate that he/she is not a school spokesperson.

EMPLOYEE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Employees will not engage in, or have a financial interest in, any activity that raises a reasonable question of conflict of interest with their duties and responsibilities as employees. This includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Employees will not participate for financial remuneration in outside activities where in their position on the staff is used to sell goods or services to pupils or their parents.
- 2. Employees who have patented or copyrighted any device, publication, or other item will not receive royalties for use of such item in the District.
- 3. Employees will not engage in any type of work where the source of information concerning customer client or employer originates from information obtained through the District.
- 4. Employees will not make available lists of names of students or parents to anyone for sales purposes.

To avoid nepotism in the supervision of personnel, the Board directs that no employee be assigned in any position where the employee is either the supervisor of or is supervised by a relative. Relative is defined as immediate family, which shall be interpreted as spouse of the



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employee and the employee's or spouse's mother, father, brother, sister, children, grandchildren and grandparents or any person with whom the employee currently makes his/her home.