

TRI-TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION

POLICY

REGARDING

BOARD MEMBER CODE OF ETHICS

1. Board members shall uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
2. Board members shall make decisions in terms of the best educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
3. Board members shall confine board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and will help to frame policies and plans only after careful consideration of those who will be affected by them.
4. Board members shall carry out their responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with fellow board members, see that they are well run.
5. Board members shall recognize that authority rests with the Board of Education as a whole and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the Board.
6. Board members shall refuse to surrender their independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
7. Board members shall hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, Board members will provide accurate information and, in concert with fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.
8. Board members shall vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the Superintendent.
9. Board members shall support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
10. Board members shall refer all complaints to the Superintendent and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

Adopted by the Tri-Township Consolidated School Corporation School Board this 8th day of April, 2013.

Reviewed and approved on April 21, 2016