Policy 4112.8: Employment Of Relatives

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The Governing Board desires to maximize staff and community confidence in district hiring, promotion, and other employment decisions by promoting practices that are free of conflicts of interest or the appearance of impropriety.

Status: ADOPTED

The Board prohibits the appointment of any person by a Superintendent or Principal to a position for which his/her relative maintains management, supervisory, evaluation, or promotion responsibilities and prohibits a Superintendent or Principal from participating in any decision that singularly applies to any of his/her relatives.

For purposes of this policy, relative includes the individual's spouse, domestic partner, parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and the similar family of the individual's spouse or domestic partner.

In addition, the Governing Board or designee may determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether to appoint a person to a position in the same department or facility as an employee with whom the Superintendent or Principal maintains a personal relationship when that relationship has the potential to create (1) an adverse impact on supervision, safety, security, or morale of other district employees or (2) a conflict of interest for the individuals involved which is greater because of the/their relationship than it would be for another person.

Furthermore, there is a prohibition against state employees such as Superintendent or Principal participating in the hiring process or the first-line supervision of someone with whom they have a personal relationship, and the process for addressing issues of direct supervision between employees that have personal relationships.

An employee shall notify his/her supervisor within 30 days of any change in his/her circumstances that may constitute a violation of this policy.