

## BOARD MEMBER CODE OF ETHICS

The Board believes public education should be conducted in an ethical manner. In addition to Ohio law, the conduct of Board members should conform to the code of ethics recommended by the Ohio School Boards Association which includes the following.

1. It is unethical for a board member to:
  - A. seek special privileges for personal gain;
  - B. personally assume unauthorized authority;
  - C. criticize employees publicly;
  - D. disclose confidential information or
  - E. place the interest of one group or community above the interest of the entire District.
  
2. It is unethical for a board to:
  - A. withhold facts from the Superintendent, particularly about the incompetency of an employee or
  - B. announce future action before the proposition has been discussed by the Board.

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