

Public Participation Policy

To foster continued harmony between the Board of Education and patrons of the district, public participation at local board meetings will be granted under the following guidelines:

1. Patrons wishing to address the Board will need to sign the “Request for Addressing the Board” form in advance of the board meeting. The request form containing signatures will be given to the board president prior to the board meeting. The board president will allow the patrons to speak by naming them in consecutive order, beginning with the first signature.
2. A maximum of 15 minutes will be allowed each meeting for the public to express their concerns. No one individual may speak longer than three (3) minutes and will only be allowed to address the board one time per meeting.
3. If a group of patrons are coming with a common concern, please designate a spokesperson.
4. Patron’s comments shall be limited to issues and may not be in reference to personnel. Personnel issues can only be addressed in executive session. A request for an executive session may be made seven (7) days in advance of the meeting and only after following the appropriate chain of command.
5. The intent of the Board to allow patrons to speak at board meetings is to listen to the patron’s concerns. No immediate decision(s) or comment(s) from the board members should be expected.

Patrons are respectfully asked to comply with these guidelines.