# **Community Relations**

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## CONCERNS/COMPLAINTS CONCERNING SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL

#### A. Purpose and Scope

To establish procedures which will provide a sequential resolution concerning personnel complaints

B. General

The informal procedure to resolve concerns/complaints should be exhausted prior to filing written formal charges against school district personnel.

### C. Forms Used and Additional References

District form "Concerns/Complaints Against a District Employee"

#### D. Procedure

- 1. Informal level for personnel concerns/complaints:
  - a. The concerns/complaints should be taken to the administrative officer closest to the referenced employee and complainant shall be informed of the proper steps of the concern/complaint procedure.
  - b. Complainant should discuss the concern with the employee to seek immediate resolution to the concern.
  - c. If the complainant has not reached a satisfactory resolution with the employee, the complainant should confer with the appropriate administrative officer. The administrative officer will question the complainant and the employee and attempt to resolve the complaint.
  - d. If the informal process has been exhausted and the complainant considers the resolution unsatisfactory, the complainant may proceed to the formal level by submitting a formal written charge.
- 2. Formal level for personnel complaints:
  - a. Complainant submits a completed form entitled "Concerns/Complaints Against a District Employee" to the appropriate administrative officer.
  - b. The employee shall be given a copy of the charges, and has five (5) business days to respond in writing to the charges.
  - c. Any citizen or parent complaint about an employee which may affect the employee's evaluation or status shall be reported as soon as possible to the employee.
  - d. All complaints against an employee shall be kept confidential.
  - e. The administrative officer will review the charges and submit a written response to the complainant and the employee within thirty (30) business days.

- f. The complainant may submit a final appeal to the District Superintendent or their designee within fifteen (15) business days, who will provide their final written response within fifteen (15) business days.
- E. Reports Required

District form "Concerns/Complaints Against a District Employee"

F. <u>Record Retention</u>

None

- G. Responsible Administrative Unit
  - 1. Administrative Officer, Human Resources Department
  - 2. Superintendent or their Designee
- H. Approved By

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