

CONCEPTS AND ROLES IN COMMUNITY RELATIONS: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Long Hill Township Board of Education (BOE) believes that school district community relations is not solely an information program, but encompasses all aspects of the schools' relationship with the total community.

The BOE believes its school-community relations program should:

- A. Promote public interest and participation in the operation of the school system;
- B. Gather information about public attitudes toward the school system and its programs and report them to the Chief School Administrator (CSA) and the Board;
- C. Provide an honest, continuous, comprehensive flow of information about the policies, procedures, programs, problems and progress of the school system to the community and the staff;
- D. Develop the most effective means of communication with the school system's public and use available media as appropriate;
- E. Develop programs in the schools that will integrate home, school, and community in meeting the needs of district students;
- F. Develop and maintain the confidence of the community in the school board and the school staff;
- G. Develop a climate that attracts good teachers and encourages staff to strive for excellence in the educational program;
- H. Anticipate and forestall problems that are brought about by lack of understanding;
- I. Evaluate past procedures in order to make improvements in future communications.

The CSA shall be responsible for developing programs, techniques and channels for implementing this policy.

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Legal References:

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 10:4-6 <u>et seq.</u>	Open Public Meetings Act
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 47:1A-1 <u>et seq.</u>	Examination and copies of public records (“Open Public Records Act”)
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:30-3.1	Comprehensive review of public school districts
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-2.1	Definitions
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-12.1	Reporting requirements
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-12.2	School-level planning

Possible Cross References:

*1100	Communicating with the public
*1120	Board of education meetings
*1200	Participation by the public
*1220	<u>Ad hoc</u> advisory committees
*2224	Nondiscrimination/affirmative action
*2240	Research, evaluation and planning
*2255	Action planning for T&E certification
*3510	Operation and maintenance of plant
*3542	Food service
*3570	District records and reports
*4131	Staff development; inservice education/visitations/conferences
*5020	Role of parents/guardians
*5131.6	Drugs, alcohol, tobacco (substance abuse)
*6010	Goals and objectives
*6142.1	Family life education
*6142.2	English as a second language; bilingual/bicultural
*6142.6	Basic skills
*6142.13	HIV prevention education
*6171.1	Remedial instruction
*6171.3	At-risk and Title 1
*6171.4	Special education

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.