

**CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

<b>SECTION K EDUCATION AGENCY RELATIONS</b>
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## **K.1 Relations with Other Schools**

It shall be the policy of the Capitan Municipal Schools to cooperate with other schools and local and state regional agencies and organizations in the solution of educational problems of common concern. The District may also cooperate with parochial and private schools in matters of mutual benefit where not expressly prohibited by law.

This cooperation shall extend to such areas as research, exchange of information and data, coordination of curriculum, coordination of school calendars and activities, and construction of facilities that may be efficiently utilized on a cooperative basis.

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## **K.2 Relations with Education Research Agencies**

The Superintendent is authorized to cooperate with colleges, universities, and other recognized research agencies in promoting potentially useful research. Because of the requirements in the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (20 U.S.C. 1232h) it may be necessary to limit the number and establish guidelines for the approval of studies.

Decisions in connection with research involving students, teachers, or other employees will be influenced by the following factors:

- The objectives of the research should be clearly stated and the design should produce valid and reliable results that will then be made available to the District.
- The research should be expected to contribute to the improvement of education or the general welfare of students.
- Data derived from school records, interviews, surveys or questionnaires that have potential for invasion of the privacy of students or their families must have advance written authorization of parents or guardians even though the collecting and reporting of data are to be conducted under conditions of anonymity.
- Research proposals should be of sufficient scope and depth to justify the time and effort.
- In general, instructional activities will not be interrupted unless there is a clear significance for the educational program of the schools.
- Projects involving student researchers must have prior written approval by a faculty member of the institution in which the student is enrolled. This faculty member must have direct responsibility related to the student's research.

*The following activities require direct annual notification to parents at the beginning of the school year of the specific or approximate dates when scheduled, if scheduled in accordance with the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment:*

- Activities involving the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information (or otherwise providing that information to others for that purpose).
- The administration of any survey containing one or more items described below:
  - Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent.

- Mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family.
- Sex behavior or attitudes.
- Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior.
- Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships.
- Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers.
- Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or the student's parent.
- Income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program).
- Any nonemergency, invasive physical examination or screening that is:
  - required as a condition of attendance;
  - administered by the school and scheduled by the school in advance; and
  - not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of the student, or of other students.

Model Notification of Rights Under the Protection of Pupil rights Amendment (PPRA) is found in Appendix K-1.

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### **K.3 Relations with Colleges and Universities**

In order for staff members and students to benefit from the resources provided by colleges and universities, the Superintendent shall seek out and utilize the services of college and university faculty members or programs when they are compatible with the needs of the District.

Research involving student time shall be of benefit to the District.

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### **K.4 Student Teaching and Internships**

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to arrange for the supervision and training of a reasonable number of student teachers each year and to establish procedures for such activity.

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### **K.5 Relations with State Education Agencies**

It shall be the policy of the Capitan Municipal Schools to cooperate with the state educational agencies in the attainment of educational goals and objectives.

#### **K.5.1 Waiver from New Mexico Administrative Code**

A waiver from specific administrative rules may be requested, in accord with 22-22.1 and 22-5-

14, by submitting such request to the Secretary of Education for approval. Such requests from the Board may include:

- The graduation requirement as provided in Section 22-2-8.4 NMSA 1978 [recompiled];
- Evaluation standards for school personnel; and
- Other requirements of the Public School Code [Chapter 22 NMSA 1978] that impede innovation in education if the waiver request is supported by the teachers at the requesting school and the Board of Education.

Waivers granted pursuant to 22-2-2.1 shall begin in the school year following that in which a public school exceeds educational standards and may remain in effect as long as the school continues to exceed educational standards.

The Secretary shall only waive requirements that do not conflict with the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 or rules adopted pursuant to that act.

The Superintendent may apply to the Secretary for a waiver of the following provisions of the Public School Code:

- The length of the school day.
- Staffing patterns.
- Subject areas.
- The purchase of instructional materials for the purpose of implementing a collaborative school improvement program for an individual public school.

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