

## **PROFESSIONAL GROWTH**

### **Attending Professional Growth Meetings**

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The board of education expects its administrative staff to be informed on contemporary educational issues and therefore encourages active participation in their respective professional administrative organizations, including state, regional, and national associations for the superintendent and the principal. Accordingly, the board of education authorizes within budgetary limits, attendance to state, and regional conferences sponsored by professional administrative organizations, curriculum groups, institutions of higher education, legislative bodies, and other agencies having a relationship which is in agreement with the school district's educational objectives.

The superintendent of schools may attend a national convention annually and will administer an itinerary of conference attendance by the principal, including national conferences, which will be accorded on an every-other-year basis. (Exceptions may be allowed if the principal is appointed or elected to an office requiring national conference attendance, or invited to give a major presentation at a national convention.) The board of education will be informed of any attendance to a national meeting prior to the meeting.

Periodic reports will be given to the board of education regarding administrator attendance at conferences. Ordinarily, the board of education will automatically authorize conference attendance with adoption of the annual budget, but it may, in its discretion, limit or deny administrator conference attendance as the school year progresses.

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