STUDENT DUE PROCESS RIGHTS

Student complaints and grievances regarding board policy or administrative regulations and other matters should be addressed to the student's specific teacher, activity sponsor or other certified employee, other than the administration, for resolution of the complaint. It is the goal of the board to resolve student complaints at the lowest organizational level.

All students will be afforded due process as guaranteed by constitutional provisions. Complaints involving student suspension, expulsion or mandatory reassignment will follow provisions of the Student Discipline Act. All other student complaints are to follow the chain of command as outlined in district policies. Rules for student conduct and appeal procedures will also be published in the student handbook.

If the complaint cannot be resolved by a certified employee, the student may discuss the matter with the principal within the time period stated in the student handbook. If the matter cannot be resolved by the principal, the student may discuss it with the superintendent as stated in the student handbook.

If the matter is not satisfactorily resolved by the superintendent, the student may appeal to the board in writing. However, the board will only directly consider appeals dealing with policies, procedures and programs. Any appeals involving employee issues will be passed on to the board's legal counsel to determine whether district policies and procedures were followed by the administrator in attempting to resolve the conflict.

Legal Reference:	Neb. Statute 79-254 et seq.	
Cross Reference:	204.10 Board Meeting Agenda204.12 Public Participation in Board Meetings301.04 Communication Channels506.06 Student Publications1005.01 Public Complaints	

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