# 6000 SERIES—ADMINISTRATION

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<u>Goals</u>

The administrative staff's primary functions are to manage the District and to facilitate the implementation of a quality educational program. It is goal of the Board that the administrative organization:

- 1. Provide for efficient and responsible supervision, implementation, evaluation, and improvement of the instructional program, consistent with the policies established by the Board;
- 2. Provide effective and responsive communication with staff, students, parents, and other citizens; and
- 3. Foster staff initiative and rapport.

The District's administrative organization shall be designed so that all divisions and departments of the District are part of a single system guided by Board policies which are implemented through the Superintendent. Principals and other administrators are expected to administer their facilities in accordance with Board policy and the Superintendent's rules and procedures.

**Policy History:** 

Superintendent 6100

#### **Duties and Authorities**

The Superintendent is the District's executive officer and is responsible for the administration and management of the District schools, in accordance with Board policies and directives and State and federal law. The Superintendent is hereby granted authority to act on behalf of the Board and the District in all administrative matters with the exception of those matters specifically reserved for the Board in law or rule for which there lawfully cannot be any delegation by the Board. The Superintendent is also authorized to develop administrative procedures to implement Board policy and to delegate duties and responsibilities. When a written procedure is developed, the Superintendent or designee shall submit it to the Board as an information item. Delegation of power or duty, however, shall not relieve the Superintendent of responsibility for the action which was delegated.

**[Optional:** The Board hereby delegates authority to the Superintendent to declare positions vacant should an employee willfully refuse to acknowledge receipt of an employment contract or the employment contract is not signed and returned to the Board in the designated period of time.]

#### **Qualifications and Appointment**

The Superintendent must be of good character and of unquestionable morals and integrity. The Superintendent shall have the experience and the skills necessary to work effectively with the Board, District employees, students, and the community. The Superintendent shall have a valid superintendent's endorsement.

When the office of the Superintendent becomes vacant, the Board will conduct a search to find the most capable person for the position. Qualified staff members who apply for the position will be considered for the vacancy.

#### Evaluation

The Board will conduct a written formal evaluation, at least annually, of the performance of the Superintendent using standards and objectives developed by the Superintendent and the Board which are consistent with the District's mission and goal statements. The Board shall include progress towards the targets for student outcomes found in the Annual Strategic Plan in the evaluation by using relevant data to measure growth.

A specific time shall be designated for a formal evaluation session. The evaluation should include a discussion of strengths and weaknesses in the year immediately preceding the evaluation, as well as performance areas needing improvement.

At least thirty-three percent (33%) of the evaluation will be based on growth in student achievement as measured by Idaho's statewide assessment for federal accountability purposes.

#### Compensation and Benefits

The Board and the Superintendent shall enter into a contract approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. This contract shall govern the employment relationship between the Board and the Superintendent.

Cross Reference: 1315 Strategic Planning

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-320 Strategic Planning and Training

I.C. § 33-513 Professional Personnel

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**Policy History:** 

# **Board/Superintendent Relations**

**6100P** 

The Board shall:	The Superintendent shall:
Select the Superintendent and delegate to him or her all necessary administrative powers	Serve as chief executive officer of the District.
Adopt policies for the operations of the school system and review administrative procedures.	Recommend policies or policy changes to the Board and develop procedures that implement Board policy.
Formulate a statement of goals reflecting the philosophy of the District.	Provide leadership in the development, operation, supervision, and evaluation of the educational program.
Adopt annual objectives for improvement of the District.	Recommend annual objectives for improvement of the District.
Approve courses of study.	Recommend courses of study.
Approve textbooks.	Recommend textbooks.
Approve the annual budget.	Prepare and submit the annual budget.
Employ certificated and classified staff, in its discretion, upon recommendation of the Superintendent.	Recommend candidates for employment as certificated and classified staff.
Authorize the allocation of certificated and classified staff.	Recommend staff needs based on student enrollment; direct and assign teachers and other employees of the schools under his or her supervision; organize, reorganize, and arrange the administrative and supervisory staff, including instruction and business affairs, as best serves the District, subject to the approval of the Board.
Approve contracts for construction, remodeling, or major maintenance.	Recommend contracts for major construction, remodeling, or maintenance.

The Board shall:

The Superintendent shall:

Approve payment of vouchers and payroll.

Recommend payment of vouchers and

payroll.

Approve proposed major changes of school

plant and facilities.

Prepare reports regarding school plant and

facilities needs.

Approve collective bargaining agreements.

Supervise negotiation of collective

bargaining agreements.

Assure that appropriate criteria and processes for

evaluating staff are in place.

Establish criteria and processes for evaluating staff.

Appoint citizens and staff to serve on special

Board committees, if necessary.

Recommend formation of ad hoc citizens'

committees.

Conduct regular and special meetings.

As necessary attend all Board meetings and all Board and citizen committee meetings, serve as an ex-officio member of all Board committees and provide administrative recommendations on each item of business considered by each of these groups.

Serve as final arbitrator for staff, citizens, and students.

Inform the Board of appeals and implement any such forthcoming Board decisions.

Promptly refer all criticisms, complaints, and suggestions called to its attention to the Superintendent.

Respond and take action on all criticism, complaints, and suggestions as appropriate.

Authorize the ongoing professional enrichment of its administrative leader as feasible.

Undertake consultative work, speaking engagements, writing, lecturing, or other professional duties and obligations.

Approve appropriate District expenditures recommended by the Superintendent for the purpose of ongoing District operations.

Diligently investigate and make purchases that benefit the most efficient and functional operation of the District.

## \* A copy of the Superintendent's evaluation may be included.

**Procedure History:** 

Promulgated on: 2/12/18

<u>District Organization</u> 6200

The Superintendent shall develop an organizational chart indicating the channels of authority and reporting relationships for school personnel. These channels should be followed, and no level should be bypassed, except in unusual circumstances.

The organization of District positions of employment for purposes of supervision, services, leadership, administration of Board policy, and all other operational tasks shall be on a "line and staff" basis. District personnel occupying these positions of employment shall carry out their duties and responsibilities on the basis of line and staff organization.

**Policy History:** 

**Duties and Qualifications of Administrative Staff Other Than Superintendent** 

6300

**Duty and Authority** 

As authorized by the Superintendent, administrative staff shall have full responsibility for the day-to-day administration of the area to which they are assigned. Administrative staff are governed by the policies of the District and are responsible for implementing the administrative procedures that relate to their assigned responsibilities.

Each administrator's duties and responsibilities shall be listed in the job description for that position.

**Qualifications** 

All administrative personnel shall have a valid certificate and appropriate endorsements issued by the State Board of Education, and other qualifications as specified in the position's job description.

Administrative Work Year

The administrators' work year shall be the same as the District's fiscal year, unless otherwise stated in the employment agreement. In addition to legal holidays, the administrators shall have vacation periods as approved by the Superintendent.

Compensation and Benefits

All administrators shall be placed on a written contract approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-513 Professional Personnel

Policy History:

#### **Employment Restrictions for Administrative Personnel**

6310

Time taken from the regularly assigned work schedule for such paid activities as consulting, college teaching, lecturing, etc., shall be subject to prior approval by the Superintendent.

The amount of time lost to the District will be, but is not restricted to be:

- 1. Deducted from vacation time;
- 2. Granted as additional personal leave as specified by Board policy; or
- 3. Prorated to a dollar amount and that amount deducted from the next regularly scheduled pay period.

Time taken from the regularly assigned work schedule for non-paid activities shall follow the format established above.

**Policy History:** 

#### **Evaluation of Administrative Staff**

**6320** 

The District Administrator shall be evaluated annually in order to provide guidance and direction to the administrator in the performance of his or her assignment. Such evaluation shall be based on the job description, accomplishment of annual goals and performance objectives, and established evaluative criteria. Measures of growth in student achievement as determined by the Board and may be included as an optional measure on the evaluation.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures for the conduct of these evaluations. Near the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent shall inform the administrator of the criteria to be used for evaluation purposes, including the adopted goals for the District. Such criteria shall include performance statements dealing with leadership; administration and management; school financing; professional preparation; effort toward improvement; interest in students, staff, citizens, and programs; and staff evaluation.

Both staff members involved in the evaluation conference shall sign the written report and retain a copy for their records. The person being evaluated shall have the right to submit and attach a written statement to the evaluation within 10 days following the conference.

Cross Reference: 6300 Duties and Qualifications of Administrative Staff Other Than Superintendent

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-513 Professional Employees

I.C. § 33-518 Employee Personnel Files

**Policy History:** 

### **Professional Growth and Development**

6330

The Board recognizes that training and study for administrators contribute to skill development necessary to better serve the needs of the District. Each year the Superintendent should develop an administrative in-service program based upon the needs of the District, as well as the needs of individual administrators.

Administrative staff are encouraged to be members of and participate in professional associations which have as their purposes the upgrading of school administration and the continued improvement of education in general.

**Policy History:**