

SOMERVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Somerville, New Jersey

FILE CODE: 9010

 Monitored

 Mandated

 X **Other Reasons**

Bylaw

ROLE OF THE MEMBER

It is understood that the members of the board have authority only when acting as a board legally in session. The board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of any individual board member except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions from the board.

Members of the board shall adhere to the code of ethics for board members in bylaw 9271.

No board member, by virtue of his/her office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools or as an individual command the services of any school employee.

Board members visiting the schools for any reason shall observe district regulations for all visitors.

Confidential Information

Board member access to public, personnel, and pupil records shall be governed by law and by the provisions board policies 3570 District Records and Reports, 4112.6/4212.6 Personnel Records and 5125 Student Records.

Board member shall have access to confidential records only as necessary and appropriate for the purpose of discharging his/her official responsibilities as board member. No board member shall reveal information contained in any confidential record or received during a duly convened private/executive session of the board.

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Key Words

Individual Board Member, Board Members' Role

<u>Legal References:</u>	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:11-1	General mandatory powers and duties
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:12-21 <u>et seq</u>	<u>School Ethics Act</u>
	<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:54-20	Powers of board (county vocational schools)
	<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:28-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	School Ethics Commission

Possible

Cross References: *1250 Visitors
*9020 Public statements
*9271 Code of ethics

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