BIXBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

POLICY 5102

NEWS MEDIA RELATIONS

The Bixby Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to provide accurate information concerning the school district to the community and seeks to establish a good working relationship with the news media.

Therefore, it is the policy of the Board of Education to cause any information which is to be released to the media to be carefully monitored. Such monitoring is intended to insure accuracy and to prevent any potential liability for the unauthorized disclosure of confidential information. The school district will comply fully with the Freedom of Information Act and Open Records Act.

Any issue which appears to be sensitive or which may involve confidential information shall be cleared through the superintendent or the superintendent's designee. It may, in the superintendent's discretion, be necessary to submit issues which could lead to community disruption to the board of education.

The welfare of our students and the community is important and information which could cause embarrassment to either should be carefully reviewed prior to release.

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