

Section: **COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

Policy Title: **Public License Approval Requests**

R.C.W. 66.24.010, Section (9), as amended by the 1981 Legislature, provides that the Liquor Control Board shall not issue a beer retailer license Class A, B, D or E or wine retailer license Class C or F or Class H license covering any premises not now licensed if such premises are within five hundred (500) feet of the premises of any church, parochial, or tax-supported public elementary or secondary school measured along the most direct route over or across an established public walk, street, or other public passageway from the outer property line of the church or school grounds to the nearest public entrance of the premises proposed for license, unless the Board shall receive written notice from an official representative or representatives of the schools and/or churches within five hundred (500) feet of said proposed licensed premises indicating to the Board that there is no objection to the issuance of such license because of proximity to a school or church.

To implement the intent of this law, the Board of Directors adopted the following procedures:

Requests for approval must be in writing addressed to the Board of Superintendent identifying the proposed premises by name, address and the school(s) within the five hundred (500) foot radius as described above.

Applicant will have opportunity to approach the Board of Directors to advance his/her case for approval at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors or a special meeting called for that purpose.

The Board of Directors, at its discretion, may delay making a decision to the next regularly-scheduled meeting or to a special meeting called for consideration of the applicant.

If the Board of Directors decides in favor of the application, the applicant will be so advised in writing.

If the Board of Directors decides against the application, the applicant will be so advised in writing with reasons for the denial stated.

In the case of a denial of a written notice of no objection, the Board of Directors will not consider the application again for a period of eighteen (18) months unless the President of the Board of Directors is petitioned by a majority of the Board for a suspension of this policy.

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