

ADOPTION AND REVIEW OF POLICY

The Amber-Pocasset Board of Education shall adopt new policies and delete or modify existing policies as the need arises. All rules and regulations found in the handbooks for students, teachers, or other employees and supplements thereto are to be approved by the board and will be considered a part of these policies and rules by reference.

Changes in board policy shall be disseminated in the manner provided by the rules and regulations of the board.

The policies of the Amber-Pocasset Board of Education will be reviewed annually. Changes, additions, or deletions may be made subsequent to this annual review. However, requests for the board to consider changes in policies may be made at any time. Suggestions should be submitted in writing to the superintendent or the president of the board.

The board believes that the two most important ingredients of a legitimate suggestion for policy change are these:

1. The need (or problem) is well-documented with numbers, dates, and figures
2. The solution suggested is feasible for the school district.

Policy changes may appear on any board agenda. However, final adoption of any policy change must be postponed for 30 days after original consideration, unless the board votes to declare an emergency for the policy change.

The board of education is aware that board action, in and of itself, may be interpreted as establishment of policy.

The policies, rules, and regulations of the board may be amended at any regular, special, or reconvened meeting of the board by a majority vote of the members of the board.

ACTION IN THE ABSENCE OF POLICY

In cases where action must be taken involving the operation of the Amber-Pocasset School District and in which no policy has been established by the board of education, the superintendent will have the authority to act, using his or her own best judgment and based on what he or she believes the policy of the board of education would be, if it existed. Such emergency policy decisions will be reported to the president of the board as soon as practical and to the board at its next meeting. The board will determine at that time whether or not a permanent policy should be established.