ALLOWAY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT Alloway, New Jersey Monitored Mandated Policy X Other Reasons

COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS AND INQUIRIES

The Alloway Township School District welcomes inquiries about and constructive criticism of the district's programs, equipment, operations and personnel.

The chief school administrator shall develop procedures to investigate and solve problems promptly, and to provide accurate, factual information in answer to inquiries. Such procedures shall conform to state law and applicable negotiated agreements.

Parents/guardians and students will be informed of the proper avenues to follow in the individual school.

When a board member is confronted with an issue, they will withhold comment, commitment and/or opinion and refer the complaint or inquiry to the chief school administrator.

Only in those cases where satisfactory adjustment cannot be made by the chief school administrator and the staff, shall communications and complaints be referred to the board of education for resolution.

All signed complaints shall be acknowledged promptly.

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Key Words

Community Complaints and Inquiries, Complaints, Inquiries

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. Open Public Meetings Act

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties
N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)

N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1et seq. Examination and copies of public records (Open Public

Records Act)

Possible

<u>Cross References:</u> *1120 Board of education meetings

*3570 District records and reports

*4112.6/4212.6 Personnel records

*4116 Evaluation

4148/4248 Employee protection

*4216 Evaluation

*5145.6 Student grievance procedure

*6144 Controversial issues

*6161.1 Guidelines for evaluation and selection of instructional materials

*6161.2 Complaints regarding instructional materials

*6163.1 Media center/library *9010 Role of the member *9020 Public statements

9123 Appointment of board secretary

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