Superintendent's Conduct

The superintendent shall observe rules of conduct established in law which specify that a school employee shall not:

- 1. Disclose or use confidential information acquired in the course of employment to further substantially personal financial interests.
- 2. Accept a gift of substantial value or substantial economic benefit tantamount to a gift of substantial value which would tend to improperly influence a reasonable person in the position to depart from the faithful and impartial discharge of the superintendent's duties or which the superintendent knows or should know is primarily for the purpose of a reward for action taken.
- 3. Engage in a substantial financial transaction for private business purposes with a person whom the superintendent supervises.
- 4. Perform any action which directly and substantially confers an economic benefit tantamount to a gift of substantial value on a business or other undertaking in which the superintendent has a substantial financial interest is engaged as counsel, consultant, representative or agent.

It shall not be considered a breach of conduct for the superintendent to:

- 1. Use school facilities and equipment to communicate or correspond with constituents, family members or business associates on an occasional basis.
- 2. Accept or receive a benefit as an indirect consequence of transacting school district business.

A superintendent may request an advisory opinion from the secretary of state concerning issues relating to conduct that is proscribed by state law.

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