

BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 501

1620P

BOARD PROCEDURE

BOARD-STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications procedures are established:

**Staff Communications to the Board**

All communications or reports to the board or individual board members from principals, supervisors, teachers, or other staff members shall be submitted through the superintendent. This shall not deny any staff member's right to appeal to the board regarding administrative decisions, provided that the superintendent shall have been notified of the forthcoming appeal and that it is processed according to the applicable procedures on complaints and grievances.

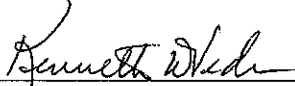
**Board Communications to Staff**

All official communications, policies, and directives of staff interest and concern will be communicated to staff members through the superintendent. The superintendent will employ all such media as are appropriate to keep staff fully informed of the board's priorities, concerns and actions.

**Social Interaction**

Staff and board members share a keen interest in the schools and in education. When they meet at social affairs and other functions, informal discussion on such matters as educational trends, issues, and innovations and general district problems can be anticipated. Discussions of personalities or staff grievances are not appropriate.

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Kenneth D. Vedra  
Superintendent of Schools

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