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## **BOARD MEMBER VISITS TO SCHOOLS**

School board members are encouraged to visit schools. Such visits should be scheduled with the building principal. A supervisor, principal, or another staff member will accompany the board member on the visit. Such visits are for the purpose of becoming acquainted with school programs, personnel, operation, and facilities. Board members will not give directions, or make suggestions to personnel during their visit. If a school visit leaves a board member with a concern, this concern should be discussed with the Superintendent.

Board members may also have children in the schools and therefore have parental opportunities to converse with their child's teacher, counselor, or administrator. In those instances, the board member should make it clear that s/he is visiting as a parent and not as a member of the Board. Board members with concerns as parents or community members shall file grievances in accordance with the district's grievance policies.