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| <b>Windham School District</b> | <b>BCA</b> |
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**WINDHAM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ETHICS/DEVELOPMENT**

All Board Members are to be afforded the Board and the staff's fullest measures of courtesy and cooperation to help them understand the Board's functions, policies, and procedures.

An orientation workshop shall be convened after each election to help the Board member(s) understand his or her responsibilities, the Board's method of operating, the Districts policies and procedures and the applicable laws and regulations. In addition, School board members are encouraged to attend workshops presented by state and national educational associations.

Each Board member is expected to read, review and follow the member code of ethics below:

**Legal References:**

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| Windham School Board  | Policy Code: BCA |
| Revised: November 1999<br>Revised: July 1998<br>Revised: February 2016<br>Adopted: March 1, 2016<br>Reviewed by WSD Policy Committee: August 14, 2017<br>*No changes were made* |                  |

## SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ETHICS STATEMENT

### AS A MEMBER OF MY SCHOOL BOARD, I WILL WORK TO IMPROVE PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND, TO THAT END, I WILL STRIVE TO:

Make improving the educational welfare and safety of Windham students in a fiscally responsible manner my first and greatest priority.

Attend all Board meetings and arrive prepared to discuss the issues considered at those meetings.

Make policy decisions in the best interest of the town as a whole, only after full discussion at publicly held Board meetings and based on all available facts and my independent judgment.

Encourage the free expression of opinion by all Board members, and maintain communication between the Board and students, staff, and community members in accordance with existing Board policies.

Work with other Board members to establish effective Board policies.

Share feedback from the public with the other Board members and the Superintendent.

Keep myself informed about current district and educational issues.

Support the employment of those persons best qualified to serve.

Avoid any conflicts of interest.

### FURTHERMORE, AS A MEMBER OF MY SCHOOL BOARD, I WILL:

Refrain from using my Board position for financial gain.

Respect the confidentiality of information that is received in confidence or is legally privileged.

Uphold and protect the rights of all individuals associated with the school district.

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