

Policy 1040: DGB Ethics and Professional Conduct

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DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD ETHICS STATEMENT

All sworn members of the District Governing Board (DGB) accept the responsibility to incorporate ethical values and professionalism in the performance of their duties and representation of the District to its stakeholders. DGB members will practice good citizenship by showing respect to the District's stakeholders, including, but not limited to, students, co-members, partners, contractors, and communities at all times. As representatives of the District, DGB members will act with integrity and integrate the ideals of honesty, loyalty, equity and fairness, confidentiality, and trustworthiness in their board activities.

DEFINITIONS

Confidentiality – to maintain the privacy and security of information

Ethics – a theory or system of moral values that form the principles of conduct governing an individual or group

Equity and Fairness – just and/or impartial; consistent; substantially equal

Honesty – free from deception; truthful

Integrity – adherence to a code of values and conduct (ethics)

Loyalty – faithful in support and/or allegiance

Professionalism – to display competency and good conduct in the performance of board responsibilities

Trustworthiness – worthy of confidence in; dependable