

## **SCHOOL COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

The Colorado Springs School District 11 (District) Board of Education (Board) is committed to working in close harmony with the community. It is the goal of the District to foster and enhance District/school and community relations, and support and foster positive interaction between local school, business, civic, and government entities. Board member and District personnel participation in community activities and civic events where those activities and events clearly support district goals, especially as they relate to student achievement, is encouraged subject to funding, time constraints, and other constraints, if any, imposed by law.

Areas and activities where Board members and District personnel should consider participation when they meet the goals stated above include, but are not limited to:

- a. Activities where awards and/or grants are given to students, staff of District
- b. Activities where recognition is given to the District in whole or in part
- c. Program presentations which contribute to the educational goals of the District
- d. Meetings and events with businesses, government and/or civic groups to discuss topics of mutual interest.

Funds for participation at such meetings shall be budgeted for on an annual basis, and shall be prudent and consistent with the overall mission of the District. Fund managers should ensure that expenses approved for this purpose meet the objectives of this policy and the District's Strategic Plan. District expense authorization and reimbursement guidelines will be followed as outlined in policy DKC.

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LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. § 1-45-101, *et seq.*  
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(i)  
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(n)

CROSS REFS.: BIBA, School Board Conferences, Conventions and Workshops  
BID-BIE, Board Member Compensation and Expenses/Insurance/Liability  
DKC, Expenses Authorization/Reimbursement  
KHE, Political Solicitations in Schools  
KJK, Relations with Partisan Political Organizations  
KL, Relations with Government Authorities