

PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW/FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The Colorado Springs School District 11 (the District) Board of Education (the Board) is a public servant, and its meetings and records shall be matters of public information, subject to such restrictions as are set by federal law or regulation, by state statute or by pertinent court rulings.

Board public information shall be open for inspection at the District's Records Management Center during normal business hours, as well as accessible on the District's website located at the following link: <http://www.d11.org/BOE/Pages/default.aspx>. The District's financial records shall be open for inspection at the office of the District's Chief Financial Officer upon request, as well as accessible on the District's website located at the following link: <http://www.d11.org/Transparency/Pages/default.aspx>. However, no records shall be released for inspection by the public or any unauthorized persons either by the Superintendent or any other person designated as custodian for school district records if such disclosure would be contrary to the public interest as described in state law.

The Board wishes to support the right of the people to know about the programs and services of their schools and shall make every reasonable effort to disseminate information. Each principal is authorized to use all means available to keep parents/guardians and others of his/her particular school's community informed about the school's program and activities.

The District administration seeks to promote access by the public to information and data regarding the District and to ensure that all information released by the administration is valid, reliable, accurate and constructively useful. The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for reviewing requests for information and filling or rejecting them in accordance with the accompanying regulations KDB-R and pertinent State and Federal laws.

The District may charge reasonable fees for furnishing copies of such public records in accordance with the accompanying regulations.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-9-109
C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(c)
C.R.S. 22-44-301, et seq.
C.R.S. 24-72-201 et seq. (Colorado Open Records Act)
5 U.S.C. § 552a, The Privacy Act (Freedom of Information Act)

CROSS REFS.: CBIA, Public Inspection of Superintendent's Evaluation
GBJ, Personnel Records and Files
JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on Students
The Colorado Springs School District 11 Board of Education Operating and Procedures Manual

Policy Owner: Records Management Center