

## Executive Summary: PRESS 121 Second Reading

### Introduction

PRESS, which stands for Policy Reference Education Subscription Service, is a policy service provided by the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB). It provides school districts with an "encyclopedia" of sample board policies, administrative procedures, and exhibits. The board and district staff use these materials as a reference to help develop and update their own local policies.

### Policies with Notable Changes

This is the second reading of the policy changes recommended in PRESS Issue 121. The first reading took place at the 5/6/26 regular meeting of the Board of Education. The following policies have important language changes and should be reviewed by the Board.

| <b>PRESS 120 Policy Update</b>  |  |  |
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| <i>Policy</i>   | <i>Description of Change</i>   | <i>Recommendation</i>                        |
| 2:220 School Board Meeting Procedure  | Adds performance of active military duty as a service member as a reason a board member may attend a meeting remotely  | Approve as presented                         |
| 2:250 Access to District Public Records   | Adds that the District's public records do not include junk mail, and adds two conditions in which the district can deny a FOIA request.   | Approve as presented                         |
| 4:165 Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors           | Removes the requirement to provide parents/guardians of students in any of grades K through 8 with not less than five days' written notice before commencing any class or course providing instruction in recognizing and avoiding sexual abuse, as well as the opportunity to object in writing | Approve as presented                         |
| 5:50 Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace; E-Cigarette, Tobacco, and Cannabis Prohibition | Adds a provision stating if an employee is on call they should not consume prohibited substances   | Approve as presented                         |
| 5:250 Leaves of Absence   | In response to the Family Neonatal Intensive Care Leave Act, a provision has been added which allows employees to take a specified amount of unpaid leave if their child is a patient in a neonatal intensive care unit.   | Approve as presented<br>(Not PRESS Language) |

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| 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves | Adds language about Election Day observance and the change in Policy 5:250 regarding NICU leave; updates paid holiday section to reflect current practice plus the addition of Christmas Eve, removes the section about 9 and 10-month Executive Secretaries | Approve as presented (Not PRESS Language) |
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**Policies with Minor, Non-Substantive Changes**

The following policies contain minor style changes. These will most likely not require discussion by the Board.

| <b>PRESS 120 Policy Update</b>  |                       |
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| <i>Policy</i>   | <i>Recommendation</i> |
| 2:200 Types of School Board Meetings  | Approve as presented  |
| 5:30 Hiring Process and Criteria  | Approve as presented  |
| 6:50 School Wellness  | Approve as presented  |
| 6:65 Student Social and Emotional Development                                 | Approve as presented  |
| 6:145 Migrant Students  | Approve as presented  |
| 6:170 Title I Programs  | Approve as presented  |
| 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited  | Approve as presented  |
| 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools | Approve as presented  |
| 7:185 Teen Dating Violence Prohibited   | Approve as presented  |
| 7:220 Bus Conduct   | Approve as presented  |
| 7:230 Misconduct by Students with Disabilities                                | Approve as presented  |
| 7:260 Exemption from Physical Education                                       | Approve as presented  |
| 7:300 Extracurricular Activities  | Approve as presented  |
| 8:90 Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs                                   | Approve as presented  |

**Policies with No Content Changes**

There are no content changes to the following policies. They are listed because footnotes, legal references, and/or cross references, which are not included in our policy manual, have been updated in response to changes in various laws.

2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure

2:265 Title IX Grievance Procedure

4:40 Incurring Debt

6:100 Using Animals in the Educational Program

7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students

7:240 Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities

7:280 Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease

### **Declining PRESS's Policy Changes**

6:180 Extended Instructional Programs - Many of the program suggestions do not currently apply to us

### **Recommendation**

I recommend the Board of Education consider the approval of all of the policy change recommendations in this summary as presented.