

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT COMPLIANCE WITH COPYRIGHT LAW**

The Board of Education acknowledges the necessity of complying with federal laws governing the use of copyrighted material.

Infringement on copyrighted material, whether prose, poetry, graphic images, music, video or computer code, is a serious offense against federal law and contrary to the ethical standards required of staff and students alike.

The Board of Education therefore requires that all reproduction of copyrighted material be conducted strictly in accordance with applicable provisions of law. Unless otherwise allowed as "fair use" under federal law, permission must be acquired from the copyright owner prior to reproduction of material in any form. Under certain conditions, teachers may, on a limited basis, copy some materials for use with students when a credit acknowledgment is clearly shown.

The Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to develop and submit to the Board of Education for approval such rules and regulations as he/she may deem appropriate to carry out this policy.

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