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General School Administration

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Lines of Authority and Staff Relations

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The Board authorizes the Director of Schools to establish efficient organizational lines of authority and staff relations which shall be communicated to employees.

The Director of Schools shall establish lines of authority which shall be approved by the Board and communicated to employees.

All personnel are expected to keep their immediate supervisor informed of their activities and shall refer matters requiring administrative action to the administrator to whom they directly report. That administrator shall refer such matters to the next higher administrative authority when necessary.

An employee may request that a decision made at any level be reviewed through the appropriate lines of authority and ultimately to the Director of Schools, should that be necessary.

Lines of authority do not restrict the cooperative and collaborative relationships between and among staff members. The lines of authority should serve to enhance the management, oversight and the decision making processes within, between and among staff departments and schools.