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BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL District 348 Board POLICY MANUAL

A SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

A Authority

Legal Designation of School

The Unified School District shall be officially named the Baldwin City Unified School District 348. Passed 2/6/1967

District Authority (Adopted 6/2007)

The governance of the District shall be vested in the Board.

Home Rule (Adopted 7/2007)

The Board shall have authority to conduct District business without specific statutory delegation. The Board may transact all school District business and adopt policies the Board deems appropriate to perform its constitutional duty to maintain, develop and operate local public schools.

ABB Powers and Duties (Amended 2/2007) Powers and Responsibilities of the Board

Major duties of the Board shall include:

- A. Formulate policies that provide for the local control of the District in compliance with State and Federal Statutes and Regulations.
- B. Approve the annual budget, financial expenditures and salaries, as recommended by the Superintendent or as negotiated.
- C. Select a Superintendent of school to act as a chief executive officer and act (approve or ask for other nominations) on the employment of all other personnel recommended by the Superintendent. The Board shall delegate administrative duties to the chief executive officer.
- D. Approve and advise on educational programs and materials as recommended by the Superintendent with staff input.
- E. Request and consider reports prepared by the Superintendent and/or staff concerning the progress of the schools, student achievement, school programs and facilities. Advise and counsel the administration in evaluating and improving programs and facilities.

- F. Act as a court of appeal for hearing cases presented by patrons or staff on concerns, which the Superintendent has not been able to reconcile. Hear oral or written communications from citizens or organizations on matters of policy procedure.

**AC School District Organization Plan (Amended 04/2012)
Organization of the Schools**

The school system shall consist of elementary grades K-8 and high school grades 9-12. The attendance centers consist of Baldwin Elementary Primary Center - grades K-2, Baldwin Elementary Intermediate Center 3-5, Baldwin Junior High-grades 6-8, and Baldwin High School-grades 9-12.

**AD School District Attendance Areas (Amended 04/2012)
Attendance Center Boundary Lines**

Baldwin Elementary (K-5): All territory

Baldwin Junior High: All District-wide students in grades 6-8.

Baldwin High School: All District-wide students in grades 9-12. Boundary lines shall be observed, unless special permission is granted by the Board of Education.

AE School Year

The Board shall provide a school year consisting of not less than: (1) The minimum number of statutorily required school days for students K-12, consisting of not less than 2 1/2 hours for kindergarten students and 6 hours for students in grades 1-12; or (2) The minimum number of statutorily required school hours for students in grades K-12.

**AEB School Year and Learning Opportunities (Amended 08/2016)
(See AE, JBD, JBE, JCDA, and JDD)**

Prolonged or Shortened School Year

The board may prolong or shorten the regular academic year. The superintendent shall be responsible for preparing a plan and presenting it to the board, as necessary. The board may prolong or shorten the regularly scheduled academic year because of the following types of circumstances which are stated by way of illustration and not by way of limitation: adverse weather conditions, building maintenance problems, personnel problems, public health reasons, or budgetary problems.

Should the school year be shortened by board action, the board must take steps to ensure the school term provided includes at least the minimum number of days or hours required by Kansas law.

Additional Learning Opportunities for Students

The board may require additional learning opportunities for students not meeting minimum academic or behavioral standards as defined by the board or as outlined in board policy and/or handbook language. Students may be assigned to additional academic sessions taking place:

- before- or after-school;
- on Saturday; and/or
- during the summer.

Truancy laws, suspension and expulsion policies and law, and all appropriate portions of the student behavior code shall apply during additional academic sessions.

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Indemnification of District School Board Officers and Employees **(Adopted July 1994)**

Baldwin City USD 348 agrees that it will defend, hold harmless, and indemnify any school Board member, administrator, employee or agent of the District during and following employment or tenure in office, for any and all demands, claims, suits, actions, and legal proceedings, brought against said Board member, administrator, employee or agent in his/her individual capacity, in his/her official capacity as a Board member, agent, or employee of the District. The incident(s) prompting said legal action must have arisen while the Board member, administrator, employee or agent was acting within the scope of his/her employment or duty in an official capacity for and on behalf of the District. This indemnification excludes any and all criminal matters. Any and all provisions of Kansas Statutory and Case Law restricting indemnification limit this policy.