



SCHOOL DISTRICT #49 (CENTRAL COAST) Policy Manual

POLICY 230: Inquiries and Concerns

Trustees are elected representatives; therefore, constituents do have every right to approach them with inquiries.

Constructive criticism and expression of concerns involving school district matters are welcome when it is motivated by a sincere desire to improve the quality of the education program in School District No. 49 (Central Coast). The Board believes that all stakeholders should be protected from unnecessary, inappropriate or spiteful criticism.

The Board recognizes that concerns, misunderstandings and disagreements will occasionally arise and are to be resolved using the following guidelines:

Guidelines:

1. Parents, students and/or the public are encouraged to take concerns directly to the staff member involved. Where there is a communication breakdown, the Principal will address the concern.
2. School District support staff are expected to take concerns to the staff member involved or to notify the staff member that they intend to take their concern to the staff member's supervisor.
3. Teachers shall address their concern in accordance with the BCTF Code of Ethics.
4. Concerns regarding school level matters directed to District Office shall be referred to the Principal who shall notify the appropriate staff member and address the concern.
5. Concerns directed to a Trustee shall be referred to the Superintendent.
6. Concerns directed to a Parent Advisory Committee executive member shall be referred to the Principal.
7. In the event a concern remains unresolved at the school level, it shall be addressed by the Superintendent.