

**GOVERNING PRINCIPLE –  
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

*Policy Code:* **1600**

A system of excellent schools provides continuous professional development and training to help personnel gain the skills and knowledge needed to meet State Board and local board expectations, especially as they relate to improving student performance. The board's vision for professional development, including its relationship to improving student success, is expressed through the following board policies.

School Safety .....(policy 1510/4200/7270)  
Professional and Staff Development.....(policy 1610/7800)  
Discrimination and Harassment Prohibited by Federal Law .....(policy 1710/4020/7230)  
Title IX Sexual Harassment Grievance Process .....(policy 1726/4036/7237)  
Lesson Planning ..... (policy 3120)  
Evaluation of Instructional Programs ..... (policy 3140)  
Technology in the Educational Program..... (policy 3220)  
Use of Personal Technology to Conduct School Business .....(policy 3228/7323)  
Copyright Compliance .....(policy 3230/7330)  
School Improvement Plan.....(policy 3430)  
Alternative Learning Programs/Schools .....(policy 3470/4305)  
Comprehensive Health Education Program..... (policy 3540)  
Injury and Loss Prevention .....(policy 4201/7271)  
Child Abuse and Related Threats to Child Safety .....(policy 4240/7312)  
Bullying and Harassing Behavior Prohibited .....(policy 4329/7311)  
Emergency Epinephrine Auto-Injector Devices .....(policy 5024/6127/7266)  
Public Records – Retention, Release, and Disposition .....(policy 5070/7350)  
Student Health Services ..... (policy 6120)  
Administering Medicines to Students ..... (policy 6125)  
Network Security ..... (policy 6524)  
Hazardous Materials ..... (policy 6540)  
Drug and Alcohol Testing of Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators ..... (policy 7241)  
Occupational Exposure to Bloodborne Pathogens.....(policy 7260)  
Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Science Laboratories ..... (policy 7265)  
Teacher Contracts ..... (policy 7410)  
School Administrator Contracts.....(policy 7425)  
Evaluation of Licensed Employees.....(policy 7810)  
Evaluation of Non-Licensed Employees ..... (policy 7815)

Legal References: G.S. 115C-36, -47

Cross References: Governing Principles (policy 1100), Board and Superintendent Relations (policy 2010), Adoption of Policies (policy 2420)

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