

Houston County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in September	Descriptor Term: <p style="text-align: center;">News Releases, News Conferences, And Interviews</p>	Descriptor Code: <p style="text-align: center;">1.503</p>	Issued Date: <p style="text-align: center;">07/08/13</p>
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The release of official news from the system and schools shall be coordinated as follows:

1. The Director of Schools will be the official spokesman for the Board, except as this duty is delegated to others;
2. News releases which are of a system-wide nature or pertain to established system policy are the responsibility of the director of schools or a designated member of the administrative staff;
3. News releases which are of concern to only one school or to an organization of one school are the responsibility of the principal of that particular school; and
4. News media requests for access to school facilities will be referred to the director of schools for approval.

When individual board members or the director of schools express their views on any issue which is in opposition to a view expressed in board policy, they have the duty to make clear that the view expressed is not the official view of the Board or school system.

Cross References:

Board-Community Relations 1.500