

## **Board of Education**

### **2:230 Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board**

At each regular and special open meeting, any person may comment to or ask questions of the Board (*public participation*), subject to the reasonable constraints established and recorded in this policy's guidelines below.

When two opportunities for public participation are offered, the first public participation will be limited to items identified on the Board agenda. The second public participation will be open for any comment or question.

To preserve sufficient time for the Board to conduct its business, any person appearing before the Board is expected to follow these guidelines:

1. Address the Board only at the appropriate time as indicated on the agenda and when recognized by the Board President.
2. Identify oneself and be brief. Ordinarily, the time for any one person to address the Board during public participation shall be limited to two minutes. In unusual circumstances, and when an individual has made a request to speak for a longer period of time, the person may be allowed to speak for more than two minutes.
3. Observe, when necessary and appropriate, the:
  - a. Shortening of the time for each person to address the Board during public participation to conserve time and give the maximum number of people an opportunity to speak;
  - b. Determination of procedural matters regarding public participation not otherwise covered in Board policy.
4. Conduct oneself with respect and civility toward others and otherwise abide by Board policy 8:30, *Visitors to and Conduct on School Property*.

Petitions or written correspondence to the Board shall be presented to the Board of Education in the next regular Board packet.

LEGAL REF.:

[5 ILCS 120/2.06](#), Open Meetings Act.

[105 ILCS 5/10-6](#) and [5/10-16](#).

CROSS REF.: 2:220 (Board of Education Meeting Procedure), 8:10 (Connection with the Community), 8:30 (Visitors to and Conduct on School Property), 8:110 (Public Suggestions and Complaints)

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**Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103**

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