

## **SECTION L: Education Agency Relations**

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Section L of the EPS/NSBA policy classification system provides a repository for statements which concern the district's relationship with other education agencies -- other school district, regional or service districts, private schools, colleges and universities, educational research organizations, and state and national education agencies.

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**EDUCATION AGENCY RELATIONS GOALS**

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The Board will cooperate to the fullest possible extent with other school districts, and with other local, state, and regional agencies and organizations in the solution of educational problems of common concern. This cooperation will extend to such areas as research, exchange of information and data, coordination of curriculum, coordination of school calendars and activities, and construction of facilities that may be efficiently used on a cooperative basis, and any other activity where it may be advantageous to serve a broader area than one district.

In carrying out this policy, the superintendent will include in his recommendations to the Board an evaluation of the desirability and feasibility of cooperation with other agencies in endeavors which could benefit the district.

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**STUDENT TEACHERS**

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The Board endorses participation in undergraduate student teaching programs with colleges and universities for the purpose of training competent future teachers. The Superintendent is encouraged to cooperate with teacher preparatory institutions in placement of student teachers within the school system. In accepting and placing student teachers, the Superintendent shall consider local school needs including, but not limited to, qualifications and interests of available cooperating teachers.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to approve all prospective student teachers. A criminal background check will be completed.

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**RELATION WITH OTHER SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

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The Board will cooperate and may develop contracts with the state, its agencies and institutions, and any political subdivision for educational purposes and services. These contracts may be developed:

1. To share the services of employees and/or programming with other school districts.
2. To provide for educational services with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, or any other federal department or agency.
3. To provide educational services for grades JK-12.

Tuition for students taught under contractual educational arrangements will be charged as provided by law. As also provided by law, approval for entrance into these contractual arrangements will be received from the Superintendent.

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**State References**

SDCL 13-15

Intergovernmental cooperation in education

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## COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

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In accordance with law, the Board may establish a cooperative educational unit with one or more school districts. This unit will be considered a legal entity, which may carry out the services of the cooperative agreement, but which will have no authority to levy taxes or issue bonds.

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### State References

SDCL 13-5-31	Cooperative educational service units
SDCL 13-5-32	Authorization to issue notes
SDCL 13-5-32.1	Agreement establishing units
SDCL 13-5-33	Compliance with school district requirements and budget procedures

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**RELATIONS WITH EDUCATION ACCREDITATION AGENCIES**

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The district's schools will meet the requirements and standards for both basic approval and accreditation by the State Board of Education. Accreditation is required in order for the district to be eligible to receive general support foundation program funds.

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**State References**

SDCL 13-1-12.1	Rules on classification and accreditation of schools
SDCL 13-13-18	Accreditation of schools required for general support funds
SDCL 13-3-47	Classification and accreditation of schools

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