

## PREAMBLE

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education (board) adopts the following governance handbook to promote a common understanding of and provide guidance in the work of the board within the structure of state statutes, borough code, district policy including board bylaws, parliamentary procedures and school board national standards and best practices. The intent is to supplement linked board policies without restating them by setting down in writing unstated guidelines, procedures and principles for the benefit of current and future board members and the public. The document is not intended to mandate any process that is binding upon the board unless that process is otherwise required by law or stated within board policy.

The handbook involves ongoing board discussions about roles, commitment to norms and coming to agreement on protocols/formal structures designed to help the governance team perform its responsibilities in a way that best benefits all district students. This handbook lends itself to regular updates and revisions as the board/superintendent team collaborate in the governance of the school system. Material in this handbook reflects this work. Additional information was compiled from the Association of Alaska School Boards, the National School Boards Association, Anchorage School District Code of Conduct, Berlin (Connecticut) Board of Education Member Handbook, Chesterfield County (Virginia) Public Schools Governance Handbook, Board of Education of Howard County (Maryland) and Washoe County (Nevada) School District Board of Governors.

### Disclaimer

The information in this handbook should not be relied upon as an alternative to reviewing the full and complete source documents on the topic.

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