

# Stewart County Board of Education

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- 1 An effective educational program requires the services of men and women of integrity, high ideals, and  
 2 human understanding. To maintain and promote these essentials, all employees are expected to  
 3 maintain high standards in their school relationships.<sup>1</sup> These standards include the following:
- 4       1. The maintenance of just and courteous professional relationships with students, parents, staff  
 5           members, and others;
  - 6       2. The maintenance of their own efficiency and knowledge of the developments in their fields of  
 7           work;
  - 8       3. The transaction of all official business with the properly designated authorities of the school  
 9           system;
  - 10      4. The establishment of friendly and intelligent cooperation between the community and the  
 11          school system;
  - 12      5. The representation of the school system on all occasions that the contributions of the school  
 13          system to the community are recognized;
  - 14      6. The welfare of children as the first concern of the school system when placing professional  
 15          personnel. The use of pressure on school officials for appointments or transfers is unethical;
  - 16      7. Restraint from using school contacts and privileges to promote partisan politics, sectarian  
 17          religious views, or selfish propaganda of any kind;
  - 18      8. The responsibility to make any criticism of other staff members or of the school system directly  
 19          to the particular school administrator who has the administrative responsibility for improving  
 20          the situation and then to the Director of Schools, if necessary; and
  - 21      9. The proper use and protection of all school properties, equipment, and materials.

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Legal References

1. TCA 49-5-501(3)(D); TCA 49-5-1003, 1004

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Cross References

- Staff Rights and Responsibilities 5.600  
 Staff-Student Relations 5.610