

**SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Springfield, New Jersey 07081**

**ROLE OF THE BOARD MEMBER**

It is understood that the members of the Board have authority only when acting as a Board legally in session. The Board shall not be bound in any way by any action or statement on the part of any individual Board member except when such statement or action is in pursuance of specific instructions from the Board.

Members of the board shall adhere to the code of ethics for Board members as set forth in Bylaw 9271.

No board member, by virtue of his/her office, shall exercise any administrative responsibility with respect to the schools or as an individual command the services of any school employee.

Board members visiting the schools for any reason shall observe district regulations for all visitors.

**Legal References:**

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties  
N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et seq. School Ethics Act  
N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)  
N.J.A.C. 6A:28-1.1 et seq. School Ethics Commission

**Cross References:**

1250 Visitors  
9020 Public statements  
9271 Code of ethics

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