

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

The School Board encourages and welcomes public attendance and participation at board meetings.

1. All meetings of the Board, for the official transaction of business, shall be open to the public; however the Board may, by majority vote, meet in Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A.
2. A portion of the open meeting will be allotted to the audience of citizens. Discussion or debate which requires an extended period of time may be deferred to the next business meeting, or to a special meeting called by the Board.
3. Citizens who wish to address the Board are encouraged to notify the Chairperson, or Superintendent, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting so that the Board may be better prepared to offer assistance or to respond to the comment, question or concern.
4. Each visitor may be limited to five (5) minutes discussion per topic.
5. Public discussion of items on the agenda may be terminated as follows:
 - A. A member of the Board may request the Chairperson to determine whether the Board wishes to hear further on the subject.
 - B. The Chairperson may rule that enough discussion has been heard. If the ruling of the Chairperson is challenged by a member, the Board must be polled with the vote of the majority prevailing.

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