

BOARD MEMBER OATH OF OFFICE

Do you solemnly swear, or affirm, that you will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of South Dakota; and that you will faithfully and impartially perform your duties as a member of the school board of the Brandon Valley School District, Minnehaha County, South Dakota, to the best of your ability, and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted, during your continuance in said office, and until your successor is elected and qualified?

(The answer is: "I do.")

Board Member's Signature

Some school boards may have additional ceremony, which may include a swearing-in ceremony with a pledge similar to the following:

I SWEAR THAT:

1. I will observe and enforce state laws and regulations pertaining to education.
2. I will accept office as a board member as a means of unselfish service.
3. I will transact school business only in regular sessions.
4. I will represent the entire community without fear or favor.
5. I will remember at all times that I am one of a team.
6. I will accept all board decisions once they are made and assist in carrying them out effectively.
7. I will delegate action to the chief school administrator as the board executive and confine board action to policymaking, planning and appraisal.
8. I will employ only competent, trained personnel and these only on the recommendation of the chief school administrator.
9. I will preserve the right and obligation of teachers to teach controversial issues fairly and without bias.

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