

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE
BOARD POLICY**

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS

SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL NOTICES

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Except where otherwise required by law or where otherwise expressly directed or authorized by the School Board (in this or any other Board policy), the Board directs the School District Clerk and the administration to issue legal notices under Chapter 985 of the state statutes by posting rather than by newspaper publication. When posting a legal notice, the District will:

1. Physically post a copy of the notice at the District Office Entrance D, and
2. Place the notice electronically on an Internet site that is maintained by the District.

The following are clarifications of and, in some cases, express exceptions to the previous paragraph of this policy:

- 1) Pursuant to requirements established by state law, certain legal notices that are required to be published in connection with school board elections must be published in a newspaper. Accordingly, posting (as provided in the first paragraph of this policy) shall not be substituted for newspaper publication of such election notices.
- 2) This policy regarding legal notices under Chapter 985 of the state statutes is not intended to address, and shall not be interpreted to address, the giving of notice to the public of any meetings of a governmental body of the District (including the school board) under the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.
- 3) As an exception to the first paragraph of this policy, the proceedings of Board meetings shall normally be published in a newspaper for the purposed of compliance with the legal notice requirement applicable to meeting proceedings that is established under state law. In lieu of such newspaper publications, the Board may periodically direct the proceedings of specific meetings to be publicized via a District-wide distribution that is paid for out of District funds.
- 4) As an exception to the posting directive established in the first paragraph of this policy the legal notices of the annual meeting and special meetings of the School District's electors shall be published in a newspaper.

For any legal notice that is issued via publication in a newspaper for purposes of compliance with Chapter 985, the District will utilize the Pittsville Record.

Regardless of the method that is used to issue a specific legal notice for purposes of compliance with Chapter 985, nothing in this policy shall be construed to prohibit the giving of supplemental notice via other methods.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

Wisconsin Statutes

Subch. V of Ch. 19	[board duty to designate approved depositories]
Section 120.08	[notices of annual meetings and special meetings of the school district electors]
Section 120.11(4)	[proceedings of school board meetings]
Chapter 985	[legal notices, generally]
Section 985.02	[methods of issuing legal notices]
Section 985.05	[official municipal newspapers; school board authority to direct postings in lieu of newspaper publication]

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