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EDUCATION AGENCY RELATIONS GOALS

The School Committee appreciates the place and importance of an educational system in its greater environment, which includes other organizations and institutions dedicated to education. It believes that much is gained through cooperative endeavors with other agencies.

In order to make a maximum contribution to education, within the school system and to other educational agencies, the School Committee established these broad goals:

1. To encourage liaison with other educational agencies.
2. To supply educational services to and/or share with other educational agencies.

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RELATIONS WITH OTHER SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS

The School Committee will cooperate with other schools and with local, state, and regional agencies and organizations to:

1. Seek solutions of educational problems of common concern.
2. Offer support services of high quality to our children.
3. Equalize educational opportunities for all children.
4. Acquire federal and state grants.
5. Promote local school system involvement in state and federal decision making.

This cooperation may extend to research, providing transportation for children to special schools and hospitals, coordination of curriculum, exchange of information and data, construction of facilities that may be efficiently used on a cooperative basis, and the coordination of school calendars and activities.

Before joining any cooperative programs, education collaborative, or participating in any joint educational services with other school systems, the School Committee wants to be sure that in all instances the best interest of our school children will be served. In carrying out his policy the Superintendent will include in reports the School Committee an evaluation of the desirability and feasibility of cooperation with other schools and agencies on matters of mutual interest.

Private Schools

In accordance with state law, the School Committee will approve a private school when it is satisfied that the instructional program of the school equals that of the town's public schools in thoroughness, efficiency, and progress made.

The School Committee recognizes that many worthwhile contributions are made to his community by parochial and other private schools. Therefore, it will cooperate with these schools in matters of mutual benefit when this cooperation is not expressly prohibited by law.

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LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 40:4E; 71:48; 71:71D; 71B:4; 74:4 through 74:7A; 76:1

RELATIONS WITH COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

The Ware School Committee recognizes the advantage Ware enjoys because of its close proximity to several public and private universities. The school system supports these institutions and sees mutual advantage in developing student research projects, cultural events, transition programs to college and as general data bases.

Cooperative and collaborative arrangements are permitted that are not in conflict with School Committee policies and goals. It is the responsibility of the Superintendent of Schools to coordinate these efforts and report periodically to the School Committee on their progress.

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STUDENT TEACHING AND INTERNSHIPS

The Ware School Committee encourages the administration to cooperate with teacher-training institutions in the placement of student teachers in the school system. In all arrangements for student teachers, the Superintendent of Schools has the privilege of accepting or rejecting individual candidates for student teaching and internship assignments. The Superintendent of Schools has the authority to decide on the placement of candidates and their suitability to work in the Ware School System.

The school administration will devise procedures for evaluating the performance of student teachers that meet the requirements of the sending school.

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