

Helensville School Board of Trustees

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CODE OF ETHICS

The Helensville School Board of Trustees is committed to ethical conduct in all areas of its responsibilities and authority. All trustees shall:

- ensure the needs of all students and their achievements are paramount
- be loyal to the organisation and its mission
- respect the integrity of the principal and staff
- observe the confidentiality of non-public information acquired in the role as trustees and not disclose to anyone such information
- be diligent and attend board meetings prepared for full and appropriate participation in decision making
- ensure that individual trustees do not act independently of the board's decisions
- speak with one voice through the board's adopted policies, and ensure that any disagreements with the board's stance are resolved within the board
- avoid any conflicts of interest with respect to their fiduciary responsibility
- recognise the lack of authority in any individual trustee or subgroup of the board in any interaction with the principal or staff (without the written delegated authority of the board)
- recognise that only the chairperson can speak for the board
- continually self-monitor their individual performance as trustees against policies and against any other current board evaluation tools

Implemented by Helensville School Board of Trustees at meeting held on 21st April 2011.