

**NEWS MEDIA AT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

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The School Committee believes that one of its paramount responsibilities is to keep the public informed of the operations, programs, progress, and problems of the public schools. Consequently, Committee meetings are open to the press and public. In the event that representatives of the news media are unable to attend a meeting, upon request they shall be provided a summary of important Committee actions by the Superintendent.

All reports approved by the Committee shall be a matter of official record and, except those exempted as confidential under Maine law, upon request will be made available to the press or other members of the public by the Superintendent. Reports in progress of the Committee, including those upon which the Committee has deliberated but taken no final action, shall be released only by vote of the Committee and clearly identified as “tentative report”.

When individual Committee members receive requests from news media representatives for information about Committee meetings, members shall refer the information seekers to the Committee chairman who shall be the public spokesman for the Committee except as the Committee specifically delegates this responsibility to the Superintendent or others.

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