

**Policy Name: Classified Personnel
Participation in Community Activities****Policy Code: 8.17A****Date Adopted: R/A 5/21/12**

The Board urges the staff to participate constructively in community activities that have as their objectives the improvement of the general welfare of the community, state, and nation.

In their relationships with community groups, a conscientious effort should be made by staff members to make school life a part of the community life, and to bring the community close to the schools. Teachers should endeavor to know the community and its influences on and opportunities for students.

The Board desires that all staff members will recognize their responsibilities to the community and will take active roles in the various cultural, civic, and charitable projects.

Staff members are reminded that they may be viewed by the community as representatives of the school system. However, staff members will not claim to be official district representatives unless they have been so designated by the Board or Superintendent.

Legal References: Ark. Stat. Ann. §§80-213, 80-509.