

## **P1213 CLOSING OF ATTENDANCE CENTERS**

### **BOARD POLICY:**

**The Board, following requirements set forth at K.S.A. 72-1431, may close any school building at any time the Board determines that the building should be closed to improve the school system of the district.**

Administrative Implemental Procedures:

1. The Board of Education may close more than one school building in one resolution.
2. Prior to adopting a resolution closing any school building, the Board of Education shall call and hold a hearing on the proposal.
3. The notice of hearing shall include the reasons for the proposed closing, the name of any affected building and the name of any school building to which the affected students will be reassigned. The notice will also include the time, date and place of the public hearing to be held on the proposal.
4. The notice shall be published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the district. The last publication shall be at least 10 but not more than 20 days prior to the date of the hearing.
5. At the hearing the Board shall hear testimony as to the advisability of the proposed closing, and a representative of the Board shall present the Board's proposal for the closing.
6. Following the public hearing, or any continuation of the hearing, and after considering all of the testimony and evidence presented or submitted at the public hearing, the Board shall determine whether the school building should be closed to improve the school system of the District, and the Board shall adopt a resolution to close the school building if the Board determines that a school building should be closed.
7. If a valid request is made not later than 45 days after the adoption of a resolution to close a school building or buildings, the state board of education shall conduct an administrative review of the resolution and issue an advisory determination, not later than 45 days after receipt of the request, to the school district that states whether the school district's resolution is reasonable under the totality of the circumstances.
8. Upon receipt of an advisory determination, including any advisory determination that the resolution is reasonable, the board of education of such school district shall reconsider such resolution. In reconsidering such resolution, the board of education shall hold a public hearing as provided in current law and may approve, modify, and approve, or rescind such resolution upon the conclusion of such hearing. No resolution adopted regarding a school closing shall be effective until, at minimum, the 45-day period has elapsed without a request for administrative review.

Administrative Responsibility: Superintendent

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