## **COMMENDATIONS AND AWARDS**

To encourage community involvement in district programs and activities, the Governing Board may publicly recognize and commend parents/guardians, community members, businesses, and organizations that make outstanding contributions or provide longstanding service to the district or district students.

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(cf. 1000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
(cf. 3290 - Gifts, Grants and Bequests)
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Any Board member, employee, parent/guardian, student, or community member may recommend an individual or organization for Board recognition. He/she shall submit to the Superintendent or designee the name of the individual or organization and a description of the outstanding contribution or service.

At the Board's discretion, the Board may present a letter of recognition, Board resolution, plaque, or other award at a public Board meeting or may hold a reception or informal recognition activity. The Board also may designate a day, week, or month for special recognition of volunteers.

The Board encourages similar forms of recognition for achievement or services as part of school-level commendation programs.

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(cf. 4156.2/4256.2/4356.2 - Awards and Recognition)
(cf. 5126 - Awards for Achievement)
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35160.1 Broad authority of school districts
44015 Awards to employees and students
CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION
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