

Community Relations

EVENTS, RECOGNITION, COMMENDATIONS, AWARDS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Inyo County Board of Education authorizes and encourages the County Superintendent to be the educational leader in the community (EC 1240—"Superintend the schools in his/her county"). The County Superintendent, an elected official, is in a unique role of working with the educational, business, tribal and civic community to improve the stature and quality of education throughout all school districts in the county. The County Superintendent is empowered by the County Board to work with these diverse groups. In order to achieve the board objectives and the adopted goals of the County Superintendent, the Board supports and endorses the use of the County School Service Fund to achieve his/her stated goals (EC 1500—Use of the CSSF to "perform the duties and render the services required"). The Board supports the following activities:

Awards and commendations to employees, community members and students for their support of education, their personal accomplishments and their excellence in the classroom (maximum award per person is limited to \$50)

Examples include: award to Brenda Lacey as ROP Teacher of the Year, Savings bond to students for ROP success, Teacher recognition at Scholar Day at the Fair.

Perform school recognition and collaboration through entertaining school district superintendents, county superintendents, CDE personnel, principals and school employees (maximum entertainment allowance of \$30 per person)

Examples include: quarterly dinner with Inyo school administrators, lunches with school personnel to discuss ICSOS operations, CBO quarterly luncheon, dinner with RIMS superintendents at CCSESA events.

Host larger events, which support improving and/or recognizing educational excellence in Inyo County, educational forums for the community, staff development activities and staff appreciation activities (\$500 limit per event).

Examples include: Hosting lunch for the Native American Education Task Force meetings, hosting dinner for Inyo school board trustee workshops, hosting functions for staff retirements.

For all the items listed above, properly annotated receipts shall be provided to the business office and may be reviewed by the County Board. Furthermore, any events, awards, entertainment that do not fit within the proscribed guidelines must be individually approved, as an action item, by the County Board of Education prior to the event.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

1240 Superintend the schools in his/her county

1500 Use of the CSSF

BOARD POLICY:

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