SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER VISITS TO SCHOOLS

Each school board member elected to office after July 1, 2002 shall spend one full day, without compensation, in one or more of the District’s schools. (MS Code Section 37-7-306) Board members elected to office before July 1, 2002 shall not be required to meet the requirement of this policy until such time as they are re-elected.

The Board, in their discretion, may as a body periodically visit schools in the district for the purpose of determining necessary school improvements. (MS Code Section 37-7-301).

Definition
Full Day - One full day shall mean seven clock hours spent at one or more of the school district’s campuses.

Procedure
Each Board of Trustee member for Jackson Public Schools may choose one of the following options to fulfill their legal requirement of spending one full day in the district’s schools:

1. Spend one seven-hour day visiting any one, or combination, of school(s) in the district;
2. Spend three and one-half hours on two separate days visiting any school or schools;
3. Spend seven hours visiting any one, or combination, of schools over several days.

Additionally, the board members, in their discretion, may also conduct virtual visits with schools through means of teleconference, video, or a virtual platform to fulfill the legal requirement of spending a full day in the district’s schools, with a priority toward visits within the board member’s ward.

The superintendent shall include this information on the July or August board meeting agenda for board review. This record of school board member visitation to the schools shall be reflected in the school board minutes and shall become a permanent part of each board member’s personnel file.

SOURCE: Jackson Public School District, Jackson, Mississippi
LEGAL REF: Miss. Code. Ann. 37-7-301; 37-7-306(4)
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