



Colorado Association
of School Boards

Podcast Discussion Guide

What is Policy: Episode 1

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“Policy development is not an occasional board chore but its chief occupation.” John Carver

1. What is your understanding of policy?
2. What does school board policy do for a school board?
3. How many policies are legal mandates and what does this mean for a district?
4. Who is responsible for having a good knowledge of school board policies?
5. What are some consequences for not following the school board policies?
6. How long does it take to create, or update, a policy?
7. Who should have the opportunity to give input into policy creation?
8. How long are school board policies relevant?
9. How often should the school board discuss their policies and why?
10. What do we, as a school board, need to do with our policies at this point in time?
11. When was the last time we did a thorough policy update?
12. What services does CASB offer in policy creation and update for a school board?
13. What is our practice for onboarding new school board members when it comes to knowing and understanding our policies?
14. What could we improve upon in this area?