

INTRODUCTION

The Durant Public Schools operates according to policies developed and established by the board of education. The board, which represents the local community, develops policies after careful study and deliberation. The board will appraise the effects of its policies and make revisions as necessary.

This manual contains the policies that govern the Durant Public Schools. Policy development in a modern, progressive school system is a dynamic, on-going process. New problems, issues and needs give rise to the continuing need to develop new policies and to revise existing ones.

Each person or office should update its copy of this manual as new policies are distributed.

SECTION A
SCHOOL DISTRICT
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DURANT SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL DESCRIPTION**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 72
DURANT, BRYAN COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

The following is the legal description of the areas from which each Durant Board of Education member is elected.

Office No. 1

Beginning at the intersection of Mulberry Street and North Washington Avenue; thence north along the centerline of North Washington Avenue to the intersection of North Washington Avenue and Chuckwa Creek; thence following Chuckwa Creek to Highway 78; thence south along the centerline of Highway 78 to the intersection of Highway 78 and West University Boulevard; thence west along the centerline of West University Boulevard to the intersection of West University Boulevard and North 7th Street; thence southwesterly along the centerline of North 7th Street to the intersection of North 7th Street and Mulberry Street; thence northwesterly along the centerline of Mulberry Street to the intersection of Mulberry Street and North Washington Avenue, which is the point or place of beginning.

Office No. 2

Beginning at the intersection of State Highway 48 and the north line of the south half of Section 8, Township 6 south, Range 9 east; thence east to the center of Section 10, Township 6 south, Range 9 east; thence south to the southeast corner of the NE/4 SW/4 of Section 10, Township 6 south, Range 9 east; thence easterly along Sawmill Road to the Blue River; thence along the Blue River to a point where the Blue River intersects the north line of the S/2 of Section 20, Township 6 south, Range 10 east; thence west to center of Section 19, Township 6 south, Range 10 east; thence south to the intersection of Three Mile Road; thence west along the centerline of Three Mile Road to the intersection of Three Mile Road and south Sawmill Road; thence south on South Sawmill Road to the intersection of U.S. Highway 70; thence west along U.S. Highway 70 and Poplar Street to the intersection of Poplar Street and North Katy Street; thence southerly along the centerline of Katy Street to the intersection of Katy Street and West Main Street; thence west along the centerline of West Main Street to the intersection of West Main Street and North 7th Street; thence north along the centerline of North 7th Street to the intersection of North 7th Street and West University Boulevard; thence east on West University Boulevard to the intersection of North 1st Street (Hwy 78); thence north along North 1st Street (Hwy 78) to the intersection of North 1st Street (Hwy 78) and Chuckwa Creek; thence northwesterly along Chuckwa Creek to the east line of U.S. Highway 69-75; thence northeasterly along the east line of U.S. Highway 69-75 to the intersection of U.S. Highway 69-75 and Gerlach Drive; thence east along Gerlach Drive to the intersection of Highway 78 (North 1st Street) and Highway 48; thence northerly along State Highway 48 to the north line of the S/2 of Section 8, Township 6 south, Range 9 east to the point or place of beginning.

Office No. 3

Beginning at the intersection of State Highway 48 and the north line of the south half of Section 8, Township 6 south, Range 9 east; thence west along the north line of the south half of Section 8, Township 6 south, Range 9 east (Knight Drive) to the intersection of Knight Drive and North Washington Avenue; thence south along the centerline of North Washington Avenue to the intersection of North Washington Avenue and Westside Drive; thence southwesterly along the centerline of Westside Drive to the intersection of the Mineral Bayou and Westside Drive; thence southeasterly to Bryan Drive; thence southwesterly along the centerline of Bryan Drive to the intersection of Bryan Drive and West Main Street; thence along the centerline of West Main Street to the intersection of West Main Street and South 15th Street; thence along the centerline of South 15th Street to the intersection of South 15th Street and West Louisiana Street; thence southeasterly along the centerline of West Louisiana Street and South 9th Street; thence northeasterly along the centerline of south 9th Street to the intersection of South 9th Street and West Main Street; thence easterly along the centerline of West Main Street to the intersection of West Main Street and North 7th Street; thence northerly along the centerline of North 7th Street to the intersection of North 7th Street and Mulberry Street; thence northwesterly along the centerline of Mulberry Street to the intersection of Mulberry Street and North Washington Avenue; thence north along the centerline of North Washington Avenue to the intersection of North Washington Avenue and the east line of U.S. Highway 69-75; thence northeasterly along the east line of U.S. Highway 69-75 to the intersection of east line of U.S. Highway 69-75 and Gerlach Drive; thence east along the centerline of Gerlach Drive to the intersection of Highway No. 78 (North 1st and Hwy 48); thence northerly along the centerline of Highway 48 to the north line of the south half of Section 8, Township 6 south, Range 9 east, which is the point or place of beginning.

Office No. 4

Beginning at the intersection of Country Club Road and South 9th Street; thence northerly along the centerline of South 9th Street to the intersection of North 9th Street and West Main Street; thence east along the centerline of Main Street to the intersection of Main Street and Katy Street; thence northerly on the centerline of Katy Street to the intersection of Katy Street and East Poplar Street; thence easterly along the centerline of East Poplar Street and U.S. Highway 70 to the intersection of U.S. Highway 70 and South Sawmill Road; thence north along the centerline of South Sawmill Road to the intersection of South Sawmill Road and Three Mile Road; thence east along the centerline of Three Mile Road to the intersection of the centerline of Section 19, Township 6 south, Range 10 east; thence south along the centerline of Section 19, Township 6 south, Range 10 east to U.S. Highway 70; thence west along the centerline of U.S. Highway 70 to the intersection of U.S. Highway 70 and Hickory Hollow Road and Roberta Road; thence south along the centerline of Hickory Hollow Road and Roberta Road to the intersection of Hickory Hollow Road, Roberta Road and Rodeo Road, which is the southeast corner of Section 12, Township 7 south, Range 9 east; thence west along East 2100 Road and Rodeo Road to the southwest corner of Section 11, Township 7 south, Range 9 east; thence north to East 2100 Road, which is the northwest corner of Section 11, Township 7 south, range 9 east and centerline of Country Club Road; thence west along the centerline of Country Club Road to the point or place of beginning.

Office No. 5

Beginning at the intersection of the Mineral Bayou and Bryan Drive; thence northwesterly along the Mineral Bayou to North 3700 Road, which is the northeast corner of the NW/4 of Section 23, Township 6 south, Range 8 east; thence south to centerline of Section 23, Township 6 south, Range 8 east, which point is Wilson Street if extended; thence west along the centerline of Wilson Street if extended to the east line of Section 21, Township 6 south, Range 8 east; thence south to the southeast corner of the N/2 N/2 NE/4 of Section 28, Township 6 south, Range 8 east; thence west to the centerline of Section 28, Township 6 south, Range 8 east; thence south to the southwest corner of NW/4 SE/4 of Section 28, Township 6 south, Range 8 east; thence east to the southeast corner of the NW/4 SE/4 of said Section 28; thence south to U.S. Highway 70; thence east along the centerline of U.S. Highway 70 to the southeast corner of Section 28, Township 6 south, Range 8 east to a point on North 3680 Road; thence south along N 3680 (Kirsey Road); thence south along the centerline of Kirsey Road to the intersection of Kirsey Road and Orchard Road; thence east along the centerline of Orchard Road to the intersection of Orchard Road and South 9th Street; thence northwesterly along the centerline of south 9th Street to the intersection of South 9th Street and West Louisiana Street; thence northwesterly along the centerline of West Louisiana Street to the intersection of West Louisiana Street and South 15th Street; thence northerly along the centerline of South 15th Street to the intersection of South 15th Street and West Main Street; thence westerly along the centerline of West Main Street to the centerline of West Main Street and Bryan Drive; thence northeasterly along the centerline of Bryan Drive to the point or place of beginning.

PHILOSOPHY OF DURANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

We believe that the Durant Public Schools should provide quality educational experiences for all people through high school level. We believe education should be such that the individual will leave the school ready to meet and adjust to the various life situations in a satisfactory manner. It is the solemn duty and privilege of the public school, in cooperation with the church and home, to guide and train the student so that he/she will be able to grow as an individual, as a member of society, and as a world citizen.

In the Durant Public Schools we believe that:

1. all children can learn;
2. children are our reason for being;
3. our school system empowers students to be happy, successful, and responsible human beings;
4. school improvement is never ending; teachers are the focal point of learning;
5. the outcomes of our educational program should be both quality and equity;
6. the catalyst for school improvement lies within each individual classroom and school building;
7. education is a cooperative effort;
8. the educational climate must be conducive to both teaching and learning; and
9. schools preserve the culture for democracy.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Durant learning community is to work together to assure that every child feels important and is empowered to be a happy, successful, and responsible human being.

EDUCATIONAL GOALS

The Durant Board of Education establishes the following educational goals for the school district.

In the Durant Public Schools we shall:

1. Make special efforts to enhance student self-esteem;
2. Promote unity within the learning community;
3. Continue to improve the academic performance of all students;
4. Facilitate the professional growth of all district personnel;
5. Foster innovation and risk-taking;
6. Commit the fiscal resources necessary to achieve the district goals through a comprehensive program of sound fiscal management;
7. Tell the story of excellence about the Durant schools;
8. Continue the effective school process;
9. Prepare our students to live effectively in the Age of Information; and
10. Continue to form partnerships with other entities and facilitate existing partnerships in order to enhance the resources of the district.