

# **CITRUS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD**

## **BP 2715 CODE OF ETHICS/STANDARDS OF PRACTICE**

**References:** Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) Accreditation Standards IV.C.II, Community College League of California "Resources for Governing Board on Codes of Ethics."

The Citrus Community College District Board of Trustees (Board) will hold the educational welfare of all students of the district as a primary concern and act as advocates for the College on behalf of the entire community to which it is accountable. The primary function of the Board is to establish the policies by which the community college is to administer. The most effective community college board service is conducted in the spirit of open meeting laws and regulations; therefore, the Board will ensure public input regarding matters that come before the Board.

The Board is responsible to adhere to the following ethical standards.

Trustees will:

1. Conduct themselves in the spirit of collegiality and civility and work as a team, not as an individual.
2. Act with integrity, trustworthiness, respect, fairness and caring.
3. Treat each other, and the Superintendent/President, staff, faculty, and students, with dignity, respect, and fairness.
4. Maintain strict confidentiality regarding closed session matters.
5. Promote a healthy working relationship with the Superintendent/President and follow protocols regarding interaction with College constituents and members of the public.
6. Mutually support and hold accountable the College's governance process.
7. Support and encourage innovation and change through appropriate channels.
8. Work collegially with fellow trustees in spite of any differences of opinion, and support the final decision of the Board.
9. Resist any temptation to use their position as a community college trustee to personally benefit or benefit any other individual or agency apart from the overall best interest of the District.

(Violations of BP 2715 are addressed under AP 2715)

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