Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy®

Section B Board of Trustees Governance and Operations

Institutional Positions: Political Issues and Campaigns

The Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy is sometimes invited, expected or may want to take an institutional position on political and public policy issues, including pieces of legislation. Only the Academy's Board of Trustees and/or President may commit the Academy in this regard and may do so when they determine this to be appropriate and in the Academy's best interests. Prior to declaring an institutional position on a significant issue, the President will consult with the Board of Trustees, the Board's Executive Committee or the Board Chairman, as circumstances permit.

The Academy desires effective working relationships with all elected and appointed government officials, regardless of their party affiliation. Accordingly, the Academy will not participate in the campaigns of particular candidates, nor will the Academy endorse particular candidates. Furthermore, the Academy will not permit candidates or their representatives to campaign on IMSA property unless they are doing so as part of an IMSA-sponsored event such as a candidate's forum or debate which has been authorized by the President or designee.

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