## Misconceptions About Hot Policy Topics

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| **COVID-19 and Board Policy** | • Most COVID-19-specific changes can be accomplished through board resolutions or revisions to administrative regulations  
• Contact your policy consultant if you are considering COVID-19 policy changes | • TASB’s [COVID-19 Resources Page](#)  
• TASB Policy Service’s [Consultant Contact Information](#) |
| **Policy and Regulations** | • Board policy = WHAT  
• Administrative regulations = HOW  
• The superintendent is authorized to manage the day-to-day operations of the district  
• When regulations are aligned with board policy and applicable law, they are enforceable | • [The Board Member’s Guide to Policy](#)  
• [The Administrator’s Guide to Policy Management](#)  
• [Regulations Resource Manual](#)  
• Policy BF(LOCAL)  
• Policy BP(LOCAL) |
| **Highest-Ranking Graduate** | • District should define highest-ranking graduate in policy  
• Two choices:  
  o Meets local criteria for valedictorian  
  o Has highest GPA/weighted numerical grade average regardless of local criteria | • Policy EIC(LOCAL)  
• TEA’s [Highest Ranking Graduate Webpage](#) |
| **Title IX** | • Adopt Update 115 policies to align board policy with new regulations  
• Make change to district practices, including the development of a Title IX formal complaint process  
• Train all employees to recognize potential sexual harassment  
• Train Title IX coordinators and other employees involved in the formal complaint process on the definition of sexual harassment and other specific topics | • TASB Legal Services’ FAQ [Title IX Sexual Harassment](#) (pdf)  
• TASB Legal Services’ [Sample Title IX Formal Complaint Procedures](#) (docx)  
• TASB Legal Services’ [Sample Formal Complaint Form (Title IX Sexual Harassment)](#) (docx)  
• TASB Legal Services’ [Sample Website Posting Regarding Title IX Compliance](#) (docx) |
| **Superintendent Delegation** | • Policy BJA(LOCAL) authorizes the superintendent to delegate responsibilities to the extent permitted by law  
• The removal of “or designee” in a TASB update does not prevent the superintendent from delegating | • Policy BJA(LOCAL) |

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