

**Section 2-1.3. Policy and Regulation Defined; Administration in absence of policy.**

— A. Policy is a basic statement related to the conduct of the school system's business. All policies of the School Board are subject to revision by the School Board. Policies are developed and presented to the School Board by the superintendent or superintendent's designee. The final authority for adoption rests solely with the School Board.

B. Regulation is the manner or method of implementation of policy by the division superintendent and staff. Regulations are subject to revision by the superintendent.

C. In ~~cases~~ situations where action must be taken by Suffolk Public Schools and the School Board has ~~provided no~~ not adopted a policy nor guidance ~~provided guidelines~~ for administrative action, the superintendent has the power to act, but the superintendent's decisions are subject to review by the School Board at its next regular meeting. It is the duty of the superintendent to inform the School Board promptly of such action taken and of the need for policy. (Adopted: June 8, 1995; Revised April 14, 2016; Ordinance Number 15/16-13; Effective Date July 1, 2016; Ordinance 22/23-31, Revised/Effective: February 9, 2023)

**Legal Authority** – Virginia Code §§ ~~22.1-28~~; 22.1-78; 22.1-70; ~~22.1-79~~ (1950); as amended.