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information on legal issues affecting your school district clients.

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National School Boards Association's Council of School Attorneys

...an international forum for improving the practice of school law and supporting school attorneys in their representation of public school boards.

WHY YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT!

Preparation and prevention are key in handling the pressing legal issues that challenge your school district clients. Council members have the tools readily available to meet those challenges.

The Council has almost 3,000 members across the U.S. and Canada through its partnership with 37 affiliated state councils. **Connect** with members instantly through <http://community.nsba.org>. Here are some recent issues members have been talking about via e-mail: *504 eligibility, Muslim students & music, tech policies & procedures, Internet security, truancy because of disability, social network policies, breathalysers at school events, and more!*

Think about it...if you save just one hour this year by using the Council's legal information, you've paid for a full year of membership benefits.

- **NSBA CONNECT** – is COSA's new private social networking and e-mail software. Log in today and create your profile at <http://community.nsba.org>. The community called "COSA" is for **COSA members only**.
- **LEGAL RESEARCH** – Go to www.nsba.org/cosa and click on "Legal Research." Everything that COSA publishes (in a convenient searchable database) is free to members online including case notes, feature articles, articles published in *School Law in Review*, *Inquiry & Analysis*, *Legal Clips*, NSBA amicus briefs and other helpful resources.

UP TO DATE LEGAL NEWS

- **Inquiry & Analysis** – COSA's electronic newsletter published 10 times a year.
- **Federal Regulations and Resources** – a monthly e-newsletter about federal regulations and guidance affecting school districts.
- **"School Law Primer"** – now available free to members; contains 12 school law topical outlines with Power Point presentations you can use to train new associates or educators.
- Papers published for the **School Law Seminar** and the **School Law Practice Seminar** and other legal articles published by NSBA staff attorneys and COSA members.
- **Legal Clips** – a free weekly electronic news service created by NSBA legal staff. Read about legal issues in the news and respond on the new "blog" format. Sign up at <http://legalclips.nsba.org/>.

TARGETED CLE PROGRAMS & ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- COSA offers more than 20 hours of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) each year. You'll save \$150 on practical and targeted **Continuing Legal Education (CLE)** programs. Attend the spring **School Law Seminar** held in conjunction with the NSBA Annual Conference & Exposition or the fall **School Law Practice Seminar**.
- Subscribe to *School Board News Today* and find out what your school district clients are reading about school governance at <http://schoolboardnews.nsba.org/>
- Contact your state school boards associations' council of school attorneys. State council contact information is located at www.nsba.org/cosa in the "About Council Membership" section.

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