

# PEPIN ACADEMIES



## **GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Parents, Teachers and citizens are encouraged to attend and participate in School Board meetings. The Board invites all interested parties to address the Board during the scheduled Public Comment period.

Public Comment on specific agenda items will occur near the start of the meeting. Anyone wishing to address the Board should obtain and complete a Speaker's Request card from the Board's Secretary. Speakers for specific agenda items must sign up to speak at least 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. Those who have submitted a card will be acknowledged by the Board President and asked to come before the board at the appropriate time.

Speakers will be granted three (3) minutes to address a single agenda item, or a total of five (5) minutes to address two or more agenda items. When 10 or more speakers wish to speak to the same agenda item, speaking time will be reduced to two (2) minutes per speaker. A group of guests, collectively speaking on one (1) subject will be limited to (15) fifteen minutes.

Anyone seeking to give a more extended presentation should contact the Board's Secretary in writing at least seven (7) days in advance of the scheduled meeting to obtain permission from the Board President.

The guidelines above will be in effect for most School Board meetings. However, the Board chair may, on occasion, seek consensus among Board members to revise or suspend the guidelines as circumstances warrant.