

BOARD MEETING GUIDELINES RELATED TO PUBLIC COMMENT DURING COVID-19 (TEMPORARY)

Public Comment

In order to conduct Los Angeles County Board of Education (County Board) business in an orderly and efficient manner during the COVID-19 emergency, the County Board will implement the following procedures governing public comment:

- The County Board will meet telephonically, in accordance with the Executive Orders and various provisions of the Brown Act.
- The County Board will hear oral public comment. Any member of the public wishing to address an issue with the County Board, may do so under Public Comments during a regularly scheduled Board meeting.
- Individuals wishing to provide public comment should dial (669) 900-9128; Meeting ID: 822 2518 9839; Passcode: 241814, before, at or during the County Board meeting, or through the Zoom App using the instructions on the Board Meeting announcement on the Board of Education website: <https://www.lacoe.edu/Board-Of-Education>. They should be prepared to identify the agenda matter they wish to address. They will receive instructions to click the “raise hand” button on the Zoom App or dial *9 to raise their hand from a phone. At the appropriate time, staff will identify public speakers in the order in which they raised their hand. Their line will be open and the public speaker will then provide public comment. Public speakers may choose, but need not identify themselves to the County Board.
- Pursuant to BB 9323, during public comment, three minutes may be allocated to each speaker and a maximum of twenty minutes to each subject. No speaker may relinquish a time allotment to another speaker. Exceptions to these time limits shall be made only by a majority vote of the County Board members present.
- While the County Board recognizes that it may not have control over the technology or connectivity of speakers, if a public speaker’s call is dropped, or if the caller experiences other technological difficulties, and wishes to continue their time, they should dial back into the meeting or log back in if using Zoom, raise their hand again, and the County Board will make necessary adjustments to the time and permit the individual to complete their communication.

In addition to oral public comment, the County Board will consider written public communications. Letters must be sent to the County Board, as instructed on the County Board’s website. Letters received will be provided to the County Board and posted online and be considered part of the official record.

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The County Board President retains the responsibility and authority to maintain order, and shall have the right to terminate a speaker's privilege of address to maintain order.