

STUDENTS' COUNCILS

Background

The experience of participation in Students' Councils and Students' Council activities within schools is supportive and complementary to the education of students and can contribute to the preparation of students to become socially responsible citizens in a changing world. The District, therefore, encourages the formation of Students' Councils in schools.

The District believes that, in every District secondary school, the Students' Council is to be an elected body and that every full-time student of the school is to be eligible for nomination.

Procedures

1. The Students' Council shall select its staff sponsor with his or her consent.
2. The Students' Council shall control and keep a regular account of its funds, according to established business practice.
 - 2.1 The Principal shall report Students' Council fund activities as part of the annual report required under Administrative Procedure 520 – Fund Raising Activities.
3. The Students' Council shall make its own decisions in keeping with the existing practices of the school.
4. The Students' Council is to communicate with students, teachers, and parents through bulletins, meetings, and the public address system (school equipment and facilities are to be available for Students' Council use when not needed for the school's normal operations);
5. The Students' Council is to sponsor and/or encourage other student organizations and clubs to function within the school to meet special interests and needs of the students - if no teacher-sponsor is available, the Principal will assist in arranging for a mutually acceptable adult sponsor.

Reference: Sections 17, 20, 22, 65, 85 School Act

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