RELATIONS WITH PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

The major purpose of Board endorsement of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is to promote the cooperation of parents, teachers, and other adult citizens in matters concerning the education and welfare of children. The PTA also serves as an appropriate means of achieving effective involvement of parents and guardians of students in the affairs of our schools.

GOALS

- 1. To involve parents in cooperation with school personnel to increase the educational opportunities of the children both in school and at home.
- 2. To improve school-home relationships.
- 3. To provide teachers and administrators with opinions and viewpoints that will lead to a better analysis of the needs of students and more relevant program planning.
- 4. To sustain parental interest through a program of training and consultative services.
- 5. To develop the skills needed by school personnel to function effectively in a working relationship with parents and other community members.

PROCEDURES

- The PTA shall be encouraged to explore educational issues facing the particular school and the School Division. The PTA can act as a communications link between the school and parents. The PTA is encouraged to represent the interests and concerns of parents to the school, as well as to work with the school in the solutions of these mutual problems.
- 2. The Superintendent and principals shall serve as consultants, leaders, or interpreters with parent-teacher groups and committees.
- 3. Requests from the PTA to teachers and pupils or from teachers to the PTA are handled through the principal's office.
- 4. School facilities, equipment, and supplies are to be made reasonably available to the PTA.

- 5. Some clerical assistance may be given to PTAs' executive boards at the discretion of the building principal.
- 6. When appointing members to standing and ad hoc committees, the School Board will consider PTA representation in all relevant situations.

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