

COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

The Board recognizes that the public has substantial resources of training and experience that could be useful to schools. The strength of the local district is in large measure determined by the manner and degree to which these resources are utilized in an advisory capacity and to the degree that these resources are involved in supporting the improvement of the local educational program.

The advice of the public will be given careful consideration. In the evaluation of such contributions, the first concern will be for the educational program as it affects the students. The final decision may depart from this advice when in the judgment of the staff and the board such advice is not consistent with goals adopted by the Board, consistent with current educational practice, or within the reach of the financial resources available.

For purposes of this policy, all student booster groups, parent booster groups or other community groups whose aims or goals include in part furthering the goals of the school district shall be referred to as "Community Support Groups."

In the absence of a specific written authorization by the superintendent, no community support organization is authorized to act on behalf or represent the school district. All activities of community support groups, unless otherwise specifically authorized and recognized in writing, do not act for or on behalf of the school district and any implication of actual or apparent agency of such community support groups to act on behalf of the school district is hereby negated and specifically rejected.

USE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME OR INSIGNIA:

In addition, no organization shall be entitled to use any school district insignia, designation or name without the express written permission of the school district. All written material listing or using, in any representative capacity, a school district or individual school name, must also contain a disclosure that the association or entity does not act on behalf of the school district unless express written permission has been granted by the school district to do so.

VOLUNTEER WORKERS:

An individual volunteer worker who has been retained by a community support group does not have any authority to bind the school district or to represent or act on behalf of the school district unless otherwise specifically indicated in writing by the superintendent of the school district.

LIABILITY INSURANCE:

No individual, corporation or association or other entity shall be covered under the school district's insurance policies and/or state risk management policies unless state risk management has specifically undertaken responsibility for such activities. All persons who are solicited and undertake to perform services at the request of a community support group, should look solely to that community support group for any insurance coverage or coverage of risks.

DISCIPLINE PROBLEM:

In the event that a volunteer of a community support group undertakes to perform services on behalf of the school district at the request of the community support group, such volunteer shall report all discipline problems to the school district for oversight and correction.

COMMUNITY SUPPORTGROUP USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES:

A community support group may use the school facilities under the same circumstances and conditions as identified in Policy GC. However, the school district may, within its discretion, waive fees for use of the school building by such community support group.