RELATIONS WITH PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

GE (LOCAL)

PROPOSED REVISIONS (revised 11/3/25)

District-Affiliated
School Support and
Booster
Organizations, and
Other Parent Groups

District-affiliated school support and booster organizations, and other parent groups, must operate as an independent, volunteerrun organization and shall not be considered an agent, representative, or extension of the District or the Board.

These organizations must maintain their own governing boards, financial accounts, and bylaws.

<u>Oisclaimer</u>
All District-affiliated school support, booster organizations, and parent groups must include the following disclaimer verbatim on all
printed materials, advertisements, fundraising solicitations, websites, and social media platforms:

"This parent group, booster club, or community organization is a separate and independent entity that works in support of DeSoto ISD students. While we value their partnership and commitment, this organization is not officially affiliated with, sponsored by, or endorsed by DeSoto ISD or the DeSoto ISD Board of Trustees. All funds raised or managed by this organization are handled independently and are not overseen by the district."

The disclaimer must be clearly visible and legible on all the applicable material and on websites and social media platforms.

District-affiliated school-support organizations and booster organizations, and other parent groups, shall organize, fundraise or solicit donations, and function in a way that is consistent with the District's philosophy and objectives, Board policies, District administrative regulations, applicable UIL or other governing association guidelines, and financial and audit regulations. [See also CDC and CFC]

Before engaging in fundraising or soliciting gifts, an organization or group shall notify the Chief Business Officer, the Superintendent, or the Superintendent's designee. [See CDC(LOCAL) for District acceptance of gifts and solicitations]

Use of District Facilities

Fundraising

District-affiliated school-support or booster organizations may use District facilities with prior approval of the appropriate administrator. Other parent groups may use District facilities in accordance with policy GKD.

Failure to Comply

A District-affiliated school support or booster organization, or other parent group, that fails to comply with any Board policy or administrative regulations shall be subject to a formal cease and desist order.

Continued or willful noncompliance with Board policy or administrative regulations may result in the revocation of the organization's

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privileges, including use of District facilities, access to student participation, or inclusion in District events.

Failure of the District-affiliated school support or booster organization to provide their annual financial information to the District may result in the revocation of the organization's privileges.

Reporting and Oversight

<u>District and campus administrators shall inform District-affiliated</u> <u>school support and booster organizations and parent groups of this policy and monitor these organizations' compliance with Board policy and administrative regulations.</u>

Any concerns or violations regarding an organization covered by this policy shall be reported to the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee who shall review and take appropriate action.

Policy Review

The Board shall annually review this policy and make revisions as needed.

[See policy CY(LOCAL) regarding District-affiliated school-support and booster organizations, including parent groups, use of District and campus trademarks, including names, logos, mascots, and symbols.]

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