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Community Involvement in Decision Making

Community participation in school affairs is essential in order to maintain mutual confidence and a high quality of education for students. The district, therefore, shall collaborate with appropriate stakeholders in decisions that affect children and families.

All district citizens will be encouraged to express their ideas, concerns and judgments about the schools through such means as:

1. Written suggestion(s) or proposal(s);
2. Presentations at hearings;
3. Responses to surveys made through interviews, written instruments or other means;
4. Comments at Board meetings; and
5. Service on citizens' advisory committees, school improvement teams and/or site councils.

The district shall encourage and support organizations such as site councils, Community Partnership Teams, Booster Clubs and parent advisory groups. The district also shall identify and invite potential leaders, empower parents and community members currently not as involved and extend outreach to community members who do not have children in school.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.125](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)