

**Community Relations**

**SCHOOL-SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS**

The Board recognizes that parent, teacher and student organizations are an invaluable resource to the District schools and so supports their formation and vitality. While parent, teacher and student organizations have no administrative authority and cannot determine District policy, their suggestions and assistance are always welcome. Membership must be open and unrestricted.

Booster clubs and/or special interest organizations may be formed to support and strengthen specific activities conducted within the school or District. All such groups must receive the approval of the activities director, school principal and Superintendent in order to be recognized as a booster organization. Staff participation, cooperation and support are encouraged in such recognized organizations.

**Fund-Raising by School Support Groups**

Fund-raising by school support groups is considered a usual and desirable part of the function of such groups. The specific fund-raising activities must be approved in advance by the principal.

The principal or activities director must be consulted prior to any expenditure of such funds. All such funds raised by school support groups are to be used for the direct or indirect support of school programs and must conform to all State and Federal laws. Equipment purchased by support groups and donated to the schools becomes the property of the District and may be used or disposed of in accordance with District policy and state law.

Legal Reference: Title IX Education Amendment of 1972, 20 U.S.C §1681, et seq.

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