

RELATIONS WITH SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS

The Board appreciates the efforts of booster groups, parent-teacher organizations (PTOs), and other support organizations whose objectives are to promote, support, or enhance the educational, athletic, cocurricular or extracurricular experiences of District students.

Prior to operating a support organization whose identity derives from the District or one of its schools, the support organization must receive approval from the Board. The Board's approval is contingent upon the support organization's compliance with applicable Board policies and accompanying regulations. No organization shall use the school/District's name, logo or mascot without this approval. The Board may revoke its approval of any support organization that fails to comply with the Board's policies or regulations.

Principals, athletic directors, and other staff members should work closely with the officers of any support organizations to provide a sustained system of activities that increase and enhance educational, athletic, cocurricular or extracurricular experiences for students,. The activities must be integrated and balanced in accordance with the total District program and goals and must comply with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations.

Donations to the District from support organizations must be made in accordance with all applicable Board policies. Acceptance of donated equipment or materials may depend upon compliance with, or experience related to, the Board's policy of standardizing materials and equipment.

School employees may not be directly compensated in any manner by District support organizations.

The Board strongly recommends that support organizations obtain general liability insurance coverage.

The Board may offer the opportunity for any approved nonprofit support organization to receive coverage under the District's liability insurance program to protect the organization against claims resulting from damage or injury resulting from any act or omission of the organization. Any support organization covered in this manner shall reimburse the Board of the cost of such insurance upon written notification from the Treasurer.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3313.17; 3313.20; 3313.36; 3313.47
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CROSS REFS.: AE, School District Goals and Objectives
KG, Community Use of School Facilities (Equal Access)
KGB, Public Conduct on District Property
KH, Public Gifts to the District
KI, Public Solicitations in the Schools
KJ, Advertising in the Schools