## **Community Relations**

## **Connection with the Community**

## **Public Relations**

The Board President is the official spokesperson for the Executive Board. The Superintendent is the District's chief spokesperson. The Superintendent or designee shall plan, implement, and evaluate a District public relations program which will:

- 1. Develop community understanding of school operation.
- 2. Gather community and desires for the District.
- 3. Secure adequate financial support for a sound educational program.
- 4. Help the community feel a more direct responsibility for the quality of education provided by their schools.
- 5. Earn the community's good will, respect, and confidence.
- 6. Promote a genuine spirit of cooperation between the school and the community.
- 7. Keep the news media provided with accurate information.
- 8. Coordinate with the District Safety Coordinator to provide accurate and timely information to the appropriate individuals during an emergency.

The public relations program should include:

- 1. Regular news releases concerning District programs, policies, activities, and special event management for distribution by, for example, posting on the District website or sending to the news media;
- 2. News conferences and interviews as requested or needed. The Board President and Superintendent will coordinate their respective media relations efforts. Individuals may speak for the District only with prior approval from the Superintendent;
- 3. Publications having a high quality of editorial content and effective format. All publications shall identify the District, school, department, or classroom and shall include the name of the Superintendent, the Principal/Supervisor, and/or the author and the publication date;
- 4. Other efforts that highlight the District's programs and activities.

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