

SALEM SCHOOL SYSTEM
Salem, Connecticut

STUDENTS

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING

Students can make positive contributions to the improvement of the educational program and to the operation of an effective school system.

It is the Board's belief that students, in keeping with their level of maturity, should be encouraged to participate in the development of policies, regulations, and procedures which affect them. Such participation in decision making is considered part of the educational process.

As appropriate to the maturity of students and varying grade levels, class or school organizations and school government organizations, such as student councils, may be formed to offer practice in self-government and to serve as channels for the expression of student ideas and opinions.

The Board, through the staff, will take into consideration student opinions in establishing policies which directly affect student programs, activities, privileges, and other areas of student sensitivity.

Students will be welcomed at Board meetings and granted privileges of speaking in line with such privileges extended the general public.

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