



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Public Participation Model for the Stillwater Area Public Schools

Our learning community is committed to building positive relationships, and engaging with our stakeholders is an essential part of our mission. The school board has adopted a Community Engagement Model to guide its work. While we will most often consult and involve, different decisions will fall within different areas of this spectrum. This model allows the district to clearly define community engagement for large-scale decisions.

	Increasing Level of Community Impact				
	Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower
Our Goal	To provide our community members with information related to our schools and our district	To gather public feedback on school and district issues	To work with our community members to ensure their concerns and desires are understood and considered	To partner with our community members in developing options and identifying preferred solutions	To place final decision-making in the hands of our community members
Our Promise	We will keep our stakeholders informed	We will listen and acknowledge our stakeholders' concerns, and consider their new ideas	We will work with stakeholders to reflect their feedback in decision-making	We will seek advice, and incorporate ideas, from our stakeholders into the decision-making process to the maximum extent possible	We will implement decisions made by our stakeholders
Our Methods (examples)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District and school newsletters</li> <li>Factsheets and brochures</li> <li>Websites</li> <li>Social media</li> <li>Open houses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listening sessions</li> <li>Public forums</li> <li>Community leader forums</li> <li>Surveys and focus groups</li> <li>Public meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Conversations</li> <li>Deliberative polling</li> <li>Cross-district teams</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advisory committees</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referendums/ elections</li> </ul>