MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION **130 South Centre Street** **Merchantville, New Jersey 08109**	**File Code: 1230** **Adopted: 9/27/88** **Revised: 06/19/17** **Reviewed: 03/18/2024**

School-Connected Organizations

Any organization consisting of parents/guardians, school staff or friends of the school shall be a board-approved voluntary organization. It may not establish educational policy, participate in the administration of the school, or authorize management and direction of school affairs.

Such organizations shall have as the objectives the promotion of pupil welfare; the development of close relationships between the home and school; and the development between educators and the public of such united efforts as will secure for every pupil in the school the best kind of educational program possible.

Organizations shall not use the district's name in their titles without the board's express consent. Such permission to use the district's name does not constitute permission to act as the district's representative.

The board shall make it a practice not to interfere in the internal workings of such groups.

Permission to hold regular meetings of such associations in school facilities will be extended by the board of education for a particular school year, in accordance with policy #1330.

The school CSA or another professional staff member designated by the CSA may serve as advisor to the general parent/teacher organization. All members of the professional staff shall be encouraged to join the organization and to participate in its activities.

Date:

Legal References:

N.J.S.A.	18A: 11-1	General mandatory powers and duties
N.J.A.C.	18A:54-20	Powers of Board

Possible Cross References:

1000/1010	Concepts and roles in community relations; goals and objectives
1100	Communication with the public
1210	Community organizations-booster clubs
1330	Use of school facilities
3280	Gifts, grants and bequests
4136	Meetings/committees
5020	Role of parents/guardians
6010	Goals and objectives