Concepts And Roles

The Governing Board desires to represent the community and provide leadership in addressing community interests related to education. In order to encourage support for the district and district schools, promote collaboration between the district, parents/guardians, community members, and local organizations, and to identify and respond to community priorities, the Board shall establish effective two-way communication systems between the district and the community.

The Board and the Superintendent or designee shall work together with city, county, and other local agencies and organizations to promote and facilitate coordinated services for children, and seek to develop partnerships with local businesses and organizations.

The Board recognizes that district schools are an important community resource and encourages community members to make appropriate use of school facilities. Community members are also encouraged to attend Board meetings, participate in district and school activities, and take an active interest in issues that affect the district and its schools. The Board and the Superintendent or designee shall keep community members well informed about district programs, needs, and accomplishments and shall ensure that they have opportunities to share in the development of district decisions, in accordance with Board Bylaw 9005 - Governance Standards.

The Board recognizes that its ability to fulfill the community's expectations for a high-quality educational program is dependent upon the level of funding provided by the state and federal government and community support. In an effort to provide the best educational experience for district students, the Board shall study legislative processes and issues, establish ongoing relationships with federal, state, and local leaders and the media, adopt positions on key issues, set priorities for advocacy, and collaborate with other organizations and coalitions in legislative and legal advocacy efforts.

State	Description
Ed. Code 35160	Authority of governing boards
Ed. Code 35172	Promotional activities