COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Parent Organizations

This policy acknowledges the important role of parent organizations as valuable partners in supporting NKEC schools while clarifying their responsibilities and relationship with the Corporation. Key points include:

- Parent organizations have no administrative authority but may be recognized by the NKEC Board of Directors and permitted to use the Corporation's, school's, or school's programming name or logo with written consent from the CEO or designee.
- To gain recognition, organizations must have bylaws that include:
    - The organization's name, purpose, and operational rules.
    - Nondiscriminatory, open, and unrestricted membership for parents/guardians, and staff.
    - Membership may include community members, as determined at the sole discretion of the parent organization. The number of community members shall not exceed the number of parent members. Community members must apply for membership, subject to approval by the parent organization.
    - An agreement to adhere to all Board policies and administrative procedures.
    - Acknowledgment that the parent organization is responsible for its activities, finances, and online content; and is subject to NKEC oversight.
    - A recognition that donations made to a school cannot be earmarked for specific expenses or uses except upon a pre-acceptance commitment of use under Policy 8:80 Gifts to the Corporation. Absent such pre-acceptance, an organization may make recommendations for use of gifts, but the gifts must be given to the Corporation to use at its discretion. The Corporation will consider its obligation to comply with Title IX in determining acceptance and use of gifts.
- The CEO will designate an administrative liaison to serve as a resource and communication link for recognized organizations.

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