

4.40.080-P Student Government

- (1) The Board of Education wishes to further objective three of the Strategic Plan, which states that "100% of our students will willingly and regularly contribute to the community," and believes that student governments directly further that objective.
- (2) The Board of Education encourages, recognizes, and respects the right of students to form a democratically organized student government in each school.
- (3) The function and purpose of student government shall be to:
 - (a) further communication between the students and the administration, faculty, staff, Board of Education and greater school community;
 - (b) establish an organized means for students to provide meaningful input in their education;
 - (c) assist students in the continual improvement of their education; and
 - (d) facilitate the betterment of the community.
- (4) The function and purpose shall not exclude the participation and involvement of student government in political affairs, both internal and external, which may concern students.
- (5) The student representative shall be an ex officio member of all the student governments of the district. Each school's student government shall have the responsibility to elect their own representative to the Board of Education and shall participate in the election of the student representative.
- (6) Nothing in this policy shall be construed to infringe upon the right of local school student bodies to form an independent, democratically organized student government. Furthermore, this policy shall not be construed to prevent the formation of a district-wide student government, provided that the independence of local governments is maintained.

Legal References:

History: Adpt 5/21/01, BA 1878