

Board Policy

Code No. 504.1

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

A student government in any school may be organized within the framework of guidelines adopted by the building principal and the building principal's faculty representatives.

The student council provides for student activities, serves as a training experience for student leaders, promotes the common good, gives students a share in the management of the school, develops high ideals of personal conduct, acts as a clearinghouse for student activities, seeks to interest students in school district affairs and helps solve problems that may arise. Members of the council are student representatives who have direct access to the administration.

The function of student government shall be to provide a channel of communication between students and the professional staff of the building or unit. Regulations and policies shall always remain the province of the Board of Directors and the administration.

While the high school student council is functioning during the school year, they may organize an election for one member, and one alternate member, of the student body to be an ex-officio member on the Board of Directors. These elected student members may sit at meetings of the Board of Directors (excluding executive session), for a term of one year. The student representative may not vote, but is encouraged to participate in all Board discussions.

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