

Community Relations

SUBJECT: BOOSTER CLUBS

Booster clubs or other related organizations may be created to foster community support and raise funds for a specific extracurricular activity (e.g., athletics, speech and debate, and/or musical groups) or to foster community support and raise funds for the school's general extracurricular program.

Parents and other interested members of the community who wish to organize a booster club for the purpose of supporting a specific school program are encouraged to do so, as long as the activities of such organizations do not interfere unduly with the total educational program, or disrupt District operations in any way.

Booster organizations must follow these guidelines:

- a) Be voluntary and support a specific school activity;
- b) Submit a fund raising schedule in advance to the Superintendent of Schools or designee for prior approval. (Any time the booster club uses the name of the School District, or any language suggesting that the District has endorsed, sponsored, or otherwise approved of the club's activities, there must be prior approval by the Superintendent or designee.);
- c) Seek advance approval for any use of school facilities and/or equipment, following procedures outlined in administrative regulations to Policies #3280 -- Use of School Facilities and #3281 -- Use of School-Owned Materials and Equipment;
- d) Avoid interference with the decision-making of any student group;
- e) Avoid interference with the selection or decision-making of coaches;
- f) Respect and comply with the authority of District employees in the administration of their duties;
- g) Assume all financial responsibility for their organization, including but not limited to the provision of adequate insurance coverage, as appropriate; and
- h) Undertake any fundraising activities in conformity with the School District Policies #3272 -- Advertising in the Schools and Distribution of Promotional Materials and #7450 - Fund Raising in Schools.

If a booster organization wishes to make a contribution of money, service time, or tangible property (e.g., equipment or supplies), a representative of the organization should first meet with the Superintendent or designee. The Superintendent or designee must identify the District's terms and conditions of accepting such gifts, and seek the Board's official approval before accepting or publicly announcing any contribution.

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Booster proposed plans, projects and other activities must be evaluated and promoted in light of their stated contribution to the academic, as well as, the extra-curricular school programs. Careful consideration should be given to the total value of such project and activities in regard to District philosophy and culture.

Violations to District Policy may result in dissolution of club or organization.

Adopted: