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SUBJECT: COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING

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The Board recognizes the importance of parents and other community members taking an active role in planning for the betterment of the Detroit Public Schools. The interest and cooperation of the entire community is needed to achieve quality integrated education.

The Board is also aware that consistently data indicates that as parent involvement in student's education increases, a school's growth and academic performance also increases. Therefore, the Board understands the joint responsibility of the District and the parents/guardians to improve individual academic achievement and overall school performance. To that end, the Board will provide opportunities for parental involvement in the joint development of the District's plan to improve academic performance and to meet challenging academic standards.

The Board will maintain and strengthen plans of action that will encourage the community to participate as decisions are made on educational matters: goals and objectives, curriculum, school safety and environment, school operations and finance.

Residents of the District will be encouraged to express their ideas and concerns through such means as (1) service on citizens advisory groups; (2) written suggestions; (3) presentations at Board and committee meetings and at public hearings; (4) responses to surveys made through interviews, written instruments, or other means; (5) comments during the open committee meetings.

Attachments to Policy:

See also:

Legal References: MCL 380.485; 380.1348

Labor Contract References: