

H100 RELATIONS WITH PARENTS

The School Board believes that the education of children is a joint responsibility, one it shares with the parents of the school community. To ensure that the best interests of the child are served in this process, a strong program of communication between home and school must be maintained.

The Board believes that it is the parents who have the ultimate responsibility for their children's in-school behavior, including the behavior of students who have reached the legal age of majority, but are still, for all practical purposes, under parental authority. During school hours, the Board, through its designated administrators, acts in loco parentis or in place of the parents.

The Board supports the following activities to encourage parent-school cooperation:

- A. Meetings of parents and staff members to explain and discuss matters of general interest with regard to child-school, child-home, or child-school-home relationships.
- B. Special events of a cultural, ethnic, or topical nature, which are initiated by parent groups, involve the cooperative effort of students and parents, and are of general interest to the schools or community.

For the benefit of children, the Board believes that parents have a responsibility to encourage their child's career in school by:

- A. supporting the schools in requiring that the children observe all school administrative guidelines, and by accepting their own responsibility for children's willful in-school behavior, including participating in disciplinary actions when requested to do so by the school;
- B. sending children to school with proper attention to their health, personal cleanliness, and dress;
- C. maintaining an active interest in the student's daily work and making it possible for the student to complete assigned homework by providing a quiet place and suitable conditions for study;
- D. reading all communications from the school, signing, and returning them promptly when required;
- E. cooperating with the school in attending conferences set up for the exchange of information of the child's progress in school.

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