

SCHOOL-CONNECTED ORGANIZATIONS

The West Long Branch Board of Education will encourage the work of general, voluntary, school-connected organizations of parents/ guardians, school staff and friends of the school in each school. Such organizations may not establish educational policy, participate in the administration of the school, or authorize management and direction of school affairs.

Such organizations shall have as their objectives the promotion of student welfare; the development of effective communicative relationships between the home and the school; and the development between educators and the public of such united efforts as will secure for every student in the schools the a thorough and efficient education. Such organizations shall also be familiar with and willing and able to fully implement applicable board policies where required by state or federal law.

Organizations shall not use the district's name in their titles without the board's express consent. Such permission to use the district's name does not constitute permission to act as the district's representative nor does it establish a contractual relationship with the board.

The board shall not interfere in the internal workings of such groups.

Permission to hold regular meetings of such organizations in school facilities will be extended by the board of education for a particular school year, in accordance with policy #1330.

The school principal or another professional staff member designated by the principal may serve as adviser to the general parent/teacher organization. All members of the professional staff shall be encouraged to join the organization and to participate in its activities.

Fund raising activities of the P.T.A., the Foundation for Public Education, other organizations and charitable activities may be permitted, upon approval of the chief school administrator. However, the chief school administrator shall establish procedures to ensure that funds derived from the fund-raising activities of such organizations are not co-mingled with public funds unless and until a donation is made to the school district.

Any items available for sale within the school building or on school property shall be appropriate for the school

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Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties
N.J.S.A. 18A:54-20 Powers of board (county vocational schools)

Possible

Cross References: *1000/1010 Concepts and roles in community relations; goals and objectives
*1100 Communicating with the public
1210 Community organizations
*1330 Use of school facilities
*3280 Gifts, grants and bequests
4136 Meetings/committees
*5020 Role of parents/guardians
*5136 Fund-raising activities
*6010 Goals and objectives

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.