

Interagency Relations

The Board recognizes and promotes the central role fulfilled by the district and its staff members in serving children and youth. The Board also acknowledges that many other community agencies and organizations provide services to young people which enhance their opportunity for success in school.

The Board is committed to collaboration with community agencies and organizations to benefit students. Administration shall foster productive relationships with these other entities and encourage interagency cooperation to provide students with needed and desirable programs and services that could not otherwise be implemented by the district or individual community agencies.

Such cooperative efforts shall:

1. Maintain focus on the educational mission of the district;
2. Specify benefits to students and their education;
3. Delineate clearly the roles and responsibilities of cooperating agencies and organizations;
4. Enhance coordination and integration of services among agencies;
5. Ensure that the district and its staff does not assume responsibilities for which schools lack authority, expertise or resources;
6. Identify and anticipate any long-range effects of plans and commitments;
7. Incorporate a means for monitoring, evaluating and reporting the impact of programs and services on students and their education.

The final responsibility for the education of students rests with the district. The Board shall maintain and exercise its legal authority to ensure cooperative ventures are in the best interests of students. Any proposed cooperative project that involves policy implications, legal ramifications or financial commitments shall require Board authorization in advance.

The superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations to implement the intent of this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.150](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 336.505 - 336.525](#)

[ORS 339.880](#)

32 Op Atty Gen 209 (1965).