

## **DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)**

### **What is the Parent Advisory Council (PAC)?**

The PAC is a district wide parent organization. Its purpose is to ensure that parents have an organized voice in the district; that parents are involved in decision-making processes and procedures, as appropriate and permitted by law; and, that parent needs, concerns and issues are communicated, addressed by, and resolved before the School Board and Superintendent regularly and effectively.

### **Who comprises the PAC?**

The PAC shall be primarily comprised of parent members, with one from each school in the district. There shall also be one member from the Special Education Local Advisory Committee and one member selected by the Superintendent from the community-at-large.

### **What are the duties and/or responsibilities of the PAC?**

- Review and provide input on proposed and/or new district initiatives
- Meet regularly with Superintendent to discuss district and school issues
- Solicit and report parent concerns to raise at PAC meetings
- Report activities of PAC and other pertinent information back to other parents in the school
- Assist in planning and recruiting parents to district parent events

### **How does one apply to be a part of the PAC?**

Per the District Parent Involvement Policy, parents within each school shall devise a method for engaging and/or selecting one Parent representative, as well as one alternate should the representative be unable to make a meeting.

If there are more than two interested parents from each school, then the principal will work with parents from that school to devise a selection process to choose the representative and alternate. Principals can work through existing parent groups or pull together a special committee of parents to oversee this process. The Principal will maintain a list of all parents participating in the selection process.

Principals should seek the support from the Family and Community Engagement Office to provide volunteer training opportunities for parents. Call 456-0686 for more information.