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9211 - **SCHOOL-ALLIED AND OTHER OUTSIDE SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS**

The School Board appreciates the efforts of all organizations whose objectives are to enhance the educational experiences of District students, to help meet educational needs of students and/or provide extra educational benefits. School-allied organizations are outside organizations formed for the purpose of promoting the welfare of the school and/or its students and distinguished from clubs and organizations that are an integral part of the school program under the direct policy leadership of the principal. Board Policy 7510, *Use of District Facilities*, further defines school-allied and outside organizations.

In addition to parents, membership in school-allied organizations should also be made available to members of the community. Staff members shall be encouraged to join the PTA/PTSA and to participate actively in their programs. With respect to booster clubs, faculty shall serve as liaisons to the booster club but may not serve as officers of the organization. Under no circumstances should a staff member, parent, or member of the community be unduly pressured, harassed, intimidated or coerced into membership in one organization or another. School employees and Board-approved school volunteers may not be directly compensated in any manner by outside support organizations.

Each volunteer organization shall work within the appropriate school setting in cooperation with the principal and staff and shall comply with policies.

Each group will submit its bylaws to the Principal for review and approval.

Each group shall submit its tentative goals and objectives along with its fund-raising plans for the school year to the Principal for review. Should the goals and objectives or fund-raising plans change during the school year, the Principal is to be advised before any final revisions are made. All activities must be approved by the Principal.

Each group shall purchase liability insurance (riders – self-insured) to protect the entity against claims resulting from damage or injury resulting from any act or omission of any school-support entity.

All fund-raising activities shall comply with the Manual of Internal Fund Accounting for Elementary and Secondary Schools. Outside support organizations shall comply with Policy 6605, *Crowdfunding*.

Outside support organizations shall not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, ethnic or national origin, citizenship status, religion, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, political beliefs, sexual orientation, gender, gender identification, social and family background, linguistic preference, pregnancy, and any other legally prohibited basis. Retaliation for engaging in a protected activity is also prohibited.

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Legal	42 U.S.C. 1779
	F.A.C. 6A-1.001
	F.S. 1010.01
	F.S. 1011.07

Cross References	Policy 6605
	Policy 7510