

POLICY EL70: Catholic School Councils and Parent Involvement Committee

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Belief Statement

As a Catholic Learning Community, the Sudbury Catholic District School Board believes in the partnership of home, school, parish and community in an effort to provide excellence in education. To support this partnership, each elementary and secondary school will establish a Catholic School Council which will act in an advisory capacity, as well as a Parent Involvement Committee at the system level to provide advice on parent engagement and how to improve communication with parents; develop strategies and initiatives to help boards engage more parents in their children's learning at home and at school and share information with, and support the work of school councils within the board.

Policy Statement

The Sudbury Catholic District School Board will ensure that:

- 1. the purpose of school councils is, through the active participation of parents, to improve pupil achievement and to enhance the accountability of the education system to parents.
- 2. the name "Catholic School Council" is selected as the name of choice when referring to School Councils established by the board.
- 3. each school of the board establishes a Catholic School Council.
- 4. all members of the Catholic School Councils will honor, respect and promote the vision, mission and values of the Sudbury Catholic District School Board.
- 5. a Parent Involvement Committee is established.
- 6. the Catholic School Council and the Parent Involvement Committee operate within the parameters of the Education Act and Regulations and Board and school policies and procedures.

Glossary of Key Policy Terms: N/A

Documents Referenced:Ontario Regulation 612/00
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