
SCHOOL/BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

- POLICY -

The Board of Education encourages schools to pursue business/school partnerships involving the school and the business community in collaborative programs that are mutually beneficial.

Through these partnerships, it is expected that a positive, favourable relationship between business and/or labour and School District No. 85 schools would be established. Each program is based upon the premise that schools and the business community realize the importance of quality education and work cooperatively to achieve that goal.

The 'partnership' is a process which enables an organization to make direct and continuing contact with one or all of the district's schools. It matches the needs of the school community and the resources of the business community in mutually rewarding ways.

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- REGULATION -

1. All partnerships must be organized with the knowledge and approval of the school principal.
2. Written plans, with identified goals, will be drawn between a school and a potential school partner.
 - 2.1 Persons or organizations whose purposes or general images are not congruent with the public schools' mission will not be eligible to participate in partnerships.
 - 2.2 No organization whose program indoctrinates or abuses its relationship with the schools to further its secular and/or religious or any other interest will be eligible to participate in partnerships.
3. The school principal is responsible for providing the written particulars of the proposed partnership to the attention of the Superintendent of Schools.

4. The Superintendent of Schools shall inform the Board of Education of the proposed partnership.
5. Upon receiving approval of the Superintendent of Schools, an agreement will be signed by the school principal, the Secretary Treasurer and a representative of the business involved in the partnership.
6. The school district employee designated by the school principal to be responsible for monitoring the partnership must prepare an annual report at the end of each school year to be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools.
7. School officials will retain control of educational programs.