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The Governing Board desires to represent the community and provide leadership in addressing community issues related to education. In order to identify community concerns and enlist support for the schools, the Board shall establish effective two-way communication systems between schools and the community.

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Schools, parents/guardians, community members and local organizations must continually collaborate as partners. The Board and the Superintendent or designee may work together with city and county agencies and organizations to promote and facilitate coordinated services for children, and may seek to develop partnerships with local businesses.

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- (cf. 1400 Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)
- (cf. 1700 Relations between Private Industry and the Schools)
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The Board recognizes that schools are an important community resource and 17 18 encourages community members to make appropriate use of school facilities. 19 Community members are also encouraged to attend Board meetings, 20 participate in school activities, and take an active interest in issues that affect 21 the schools. The Board and Superintendent or designee shall keep community 22 members well informed about District needs and accomplishments and shall 23 ensure that they have opportunities to share in developing educational policies, 24 programs and evaluation processes.

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- <sup>26</sup> (cf. 0510 School Accountability Report Card)
- (cf. 1220 Citizen Advisory Committees)
- (cf. 1240 Volunteer Assistance)
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- (cf. 1330 Use of School Facilities)
- (cf. 6020 Parent Involvement)
- (cf. 6141 Curriculum Development and Evaluation)
- (cf. 9323 Meeting Conduct)
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The Board recognizes that its ability to fulfill the community's expectations for a high-quality educational program depends on the level of support provided by the state and federal government as well as the community. The Board therefore may study legislative processes and issues, establish ongoing relationships with state and local leaders and the media, adopt positions on key issues, set priorities for advocacy, and collaborate with other organizations and coalitions in legislative and legal advocacy efforts.

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43 44 45 46 47 48	(cf. 1112 - Media Relations) (cf. 1160 - Political Processes) (cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)
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