### 228. STUDENT GOVERNMENT

#### 1. Purpose

The Joint Operating Committee acknowledges the importance of offering students the opportunity to participate in self government within the school.

The purpose of student government shall be to:

1. Develop student leadership.
2. Provide a learning experience in democratic decision-making.
3. Offer another avenue toward the realization of goals.

#### 2. Authority

The Joint Operating Committee establishes that students shall have the right to organize, conduct meetings, elect officers and representatives, and petition the Joint Operating Committee.

The Joint Operating Committee will recognize the Student Council as the official voice of the student body.

The Joint Operating Committee shall appoint a qualified member of the faculty to serve as an advisor for student government activities.

#### 3. Delegation of Responsibility

The Administrative Director or designee shall establish rules and regulations to implement this policy which:

1. Assure that all students have equal access to the student government and an equal opportunity to vote and hold office.
2. Require fiscal accountability and adherence to Joint Operating Committee policy for all financial aspects of student government activity.
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