

CARBON CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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910. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	
1. Purpose	The Joint Operating Committee believe that the purpose of community engagement is to create a collaborative environment in which students, parents/guardians, families, residents, businesses, and community organizations are encouraged and invited to be involved stakeholders in the school community. Such engagement strengthens broad-based community support for the school’s mission, goals, operations and educational programs.
2. Definition	Community engagement is defined as an ongoing collaborative process in which the school works with the public to build understanding, guidance, and active support for the education of students in the community.
3. Authority	<p>The Joint Operating Committee endorses the concept that community engagement is essential for the school and the community to maintain mutual understanding, respect and trust, and to work together to improve the quality of education for students. The Joint Operating Committee intends, through this two-way communication, to identify the community's concerns, needs and suggestions, and to be responsive to the community through the actions of the Joint Operating Committee.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee also recognizes that the public offers resources of training and experience useful to the school. It shall, as necessary, determine an appropriate strategy when utilizing the community engagement process.</p> <p>The Administrative Director, shall identify a team of individuals who will be responsible for developing, implementing and delivering a community engagement program, as necessary.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee shall assess the effectiveness of the program.</p>
4. Delegation of Responsibility	The administration shall develop and use varied, effective communication methods to ensure that all community members receive information about school programs and the available opportunities to become actively involved.

<p>5. Guidelines</p>	<p>The Joint Operating Committee and administration shall give substantial weight to the input received from the community. When evaluating the community's suggestions, the Joint Operating Committee and administration will consider the impact on the school's goals, operations, programs, and financial resources. Recommendations made by the community shall not reduce the authority or responsibility of the Joint Operating Committee, which may accept or reject such recommendations.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee shall communicate to the community its decision, as well as its rationale regarding an issue involving community engagement.</p>
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