

Greater Albany SD 8J
Administrative Regulation

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Application for 21st Century Schools Council

Schools planning to form a 21st Century Schools Council shall apply to the Board for approval of its program. This administrative rule is to provide information and the guidelines for that application.

Applications are to be sent to the superintendent who will arrange for their consideration by the Board. Applications are due on May 1st for the following school year.

The following information must be included in the application. Other information may be included.

1. Name of school and person completing application.
2. The size of the council.
3. The makeup of the council by group (teachers, administrators, classified, parents or guardians¹, community-at-large, etc.).
4. How members are to be chosen or elected.
5. The terms of office of the council members.
6. The plan for rotation of membership.
7. How the chairperson(s) is to be selected.
8. How members who leave the council before their term expires will be replaced.
9. The duties and responsibilities of the council.
10. How decisions will be made.
11. How the work of the council will be evaluated.

Schools should be aware that some requirements exist in the state statutes if the council is to be an official 21st Century School Council with the ability to apply for 20/20 grants and perform other responsibilities. These requirements are found in ORS 329.704 and ORS 339.333. Under present law, all schools must have official councils by 1995.

Board policy directs the superintendent to arrange for regular reports to the Board on the work of the councils. It also directs the superintendent to regulate council decisions regarding their effect on other schools in the district.

Applications for renewal of the council can be approved by the superintendent unless there is a change in the program. Renewal applications will be brief if no changes are proposed in the program.

¹As used in this document, the term parent includes legal guardian or person in a parental relationship. The status and duties of a legal guardian are defined in ORS 125.005(4) and 125.300 - 125.325. The determination of whether an individual is acting in a parental relationship, for purposes of determining residency, depends on the evaluation of those factors listed in ORS 419B.373. The determination for other purposes depends on evaluation of those factors and a power of attorney executed pursuant to ORS 109.056. For special education students, parent also includes a surrogate parent, an adult student to whom rights have transferred and foster parent as defined in OAR 581.015-0005(18).