

**Brookings-Harbor  
School District 17C**

Code: **KC**  
Adopted: 1/18/88  
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Orig. Code(s): KC

**Community Involvement in Decision Making**

The Board endorses the concept that community participation in school affairs is essential if the school system and the community are to maintain mutual confidence and respect and work together to improve the quality of education for students. It therefore intends to exert every effort to identify the community's desires and to be responsive, through its actions, to those desires.

All district citizens will be encouraged to express their ideas, concerns and judgments about the schools through such means as:

1. Written suggestion(s) or proposal(s);
2. Presentations at hearings;
3. Responses to surveys made through interviews, written instruments or other means;
4. Comments at Board meetings; and
5. Service on citizens advisory committees, school improvement teams and/or 21st Century Schools councils.

The public advice will be given careful consideration. In evaluating such advice, the first concern will be for the educational program as it affects students. The Board's final decisions may depart from this advice when in the judgment of the staff and the Board such advice is not consistent with goals adopted by the Board or with good educational practice. Such decisions must also be within the financial reach of resources available.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 329.125](#)  
[ORS 332.107](#)

**Cross Reference(s):**

IFCA - 21st Century Schools Councils