

# Echo School District 5R

Code: CFA  
Adopted: 01/96  
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Orig. Code(s): CFA

## Site-Based Decision Making

The district recognizes the formation of school councils as a method of empowering students, parents, teachers, principals, and community members in a spirit of collegiality and collaboration with the authority and responsibility for decision making at the local school level. It is an equitable participation of stake holders. The rationale for implementing school councils should be to meet the curricular and instructional needs of students by mobilizing resources to improve learning. The site council shall be established to serve the school district grades K-12. Individual school councils will not be formed in this district.

Membership on the site council shall be composed of teachers, parents, classified staff and the superintendent. The site council shall adopt operating procedures that include the desired number and composition for the council. However, neither teachers or parents may be more than half of the total membership. Students may be included as members at the discretion of the site council. Teacher members are to be elected by teachers, classified members by classified employees and parent members are selected by other parents.

Council duties include developing professional development plans, improving the school's instructional program, developing coordinating school improvement plans and other duties assigned by the board. All site council plans, activities and actions are subject to board approval.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 332.505](#)

**Cross Reference(s):**

IFCA-AR - 21st Century Schools Councils