

# Multnomah Education Service District

Code: **KC**  
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## Community Involvement in Decision Making

All citizens shall be encouraged to express ideas, concerns and judgments about MESD to the administration, the staff, to any appointed advisory bodies and to the Board.

Residents who are specially qualified because of interest, training, experience or personal characteristics shall be encouraged to assume an active role in MESD affairs. From time to time such persons may be invited by the Board to act as advisors individually or in groups in such areas as the following:

1. Clarifying general ideas and attitudes held by residents in regard to MESD;
2. Developing broad policies under which MESD is to be managed;
3. Establishing administrative arrangements and regulations designed to help implement these policies;
4. Determining the purposes of courses of study and special services to be provided for students;
5. Evaluating the extent to which these purposes are being achieved by present policies;
6. Solving a specific problem or set of closely related problems about which a decision must be made.

The Board and the staff shall give substantial weight to the advice they receive from individuals and community groups interested in MESD, especially those individuals and groups they have invited to advise them regarding selected problems, but shall use their best judgment in arriving at decisions.

END OF POLICY

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### Legal Reference(s):

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

### MESD Policy Cross Reference(s):

BCF – Advisory Committees to the Board  
BDDF – Public Participation in Board Meetings