

North Santiam School District

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21st Century Schools Councils

The Board directs the superintendent to encourage community involvement in shared decision making and to foster the collaborative efforts of district personnel, students, parents and community members through Oregon's Educational Act for the 21st Century Schools Council Committees.

A 21st Century Schools Council shall be established at each school. The duties of the 21st Century School Council shall include:

1. The development of plans to improve the professional growth of the school's staff;
2. The improvement of the school's instructional program;
3. The development and coordination of plans for the implementation of programs under the 21st Century Schools statute at the school.
4. The administration of grants for the professional development of teachers and classified district employees.
5. Advising the Board in the development of a plan for school safety and student discipline under ORS 339.333.

Nothing in this policy shall interfere with the duties, responsibilities and rights of the duly elected school district Board or the administration's right to manage the schools..

If the Board determines that a school site is unable to fulfill the requirement of the 21st Century Schools Council as outlined in this policy or if the needs of a school site require a different composition, the Board delegates to the superintendent the establishment of the 21st Century Schools Council in a manner that best meets the educational needs of the district.

Twenty-first Century Schools Councils may request a waiver of Board policy. Waiver requests must be submitted in writing to the superintendent. The superintendent will submit the waiver request and his/her recommendation to the Board for final approval. Policy waiver requests will be considered based on the district's mission statement, philosophy, Board-adopted goals and effective schooling tenets.

All 21st Century Schools Council decisions are subject to superintendent and Board review and approval, respectively. In no case will 21st Century Schools Councils abrogate any provision of the district's collective bargaining agreements, district contracts or Board policy, except through the waiver process.

Twenty-first Century Schools Councils, the duties of which include advising the Board or making decisions on behalf of the Board, shall follow the notice, meeting and record-keeping requirements of the Public Meetings Law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.660 to -192.690](#)
[ORS 243.650](#)
[ORS 243.782](#)

[ORS 329.125](#)
[ORS 329.704](#)

[OAR 581-020-0100 to -0115](#)
[OAR 581-020-0125](#)
[OAR 581-020-0130](#)