

# Springfield School District 19

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## **21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools Councils**

The district encourages community involvement in shared decision-making. It seeks to foster the collaborative efforts of district personnel, students, parents and community members through 21st Century School Councils at each school site.

Additionally, the superintendent may establish special committees at the district level for specific projects or issues.

### **Building Site Councils**

At the school site, 21st Century Schools Councils (also known as building site councils) shall be structured as follows:

1. Building site councils shall be composed of teachers, classified district employees, building principal or designee and parents or guardians of students as required by law. Members of the building site council shall appoint parents or guardians of students attending the school and may appoint representatives of the student body and of the community-at-large;
2. Teachers, district employees and any designated representative of the Board who serve on a building site council shall be selected by the direct election of peers under the following conditions:
  - a. A majority of the building site council shall be active classroom teachers;
  - b. The principal of the school or the principal's designee shall be a member of the building site council.
  - c. Classified employee council members shall be elected by a majority vote of classified employees at the school site.

### **Terms**

Terms of service for building site council members will be determined by the council with final approval by the superintendent.

### **Council Duties**

To the extent practicable and within the parameters established above, building site councils shall be responsible for the development and implementation of a plan to improve the professional growth and career opportunities of the school staff, the improvement of the school's instructional program and the development and coordination of the school improvement program at the school site as provided by Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules.

Additional duties may be assigned by the superintendent.

### **Limitation of Council Authority**

Site 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.

No council shall have the authority to override an action of administrative rule/regulation, administrative decision or Board policy. Council decisions may not abrogate any provision of district labor agreements or law. All site council decisions are subject to superintendent and Board review and approval respectively.

### **Public Meetings Law**

Building site councils shall follow the meeting notice and record keeping requirements of the Public Meetings Law.

END OF POLICY

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#### **Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 192.660 - 192.690](#)  
[ORS 243.650](#)  
[ORS 243.782](#)  
[ORS 329.125](#)  
[ORS 329.675 - 329.745](#)  
[ORS 332.172](#)  
[ORS 339.333](#)  
[ORS 342.513](#)

[ORS 342.545](#)  
[ORS 342.553](#)  
[ORS 342.608](#)  
[ORS 342.610](#)  
[ORS 342.613](#)  
[ORS 342.650](#)

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