

District School Board of Niagara

POLICY

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1. **ROLE OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE**

In order to enhance the work of School Councils and to co-ordinate their work with each other and the District School Board of Niagara (DSBN), the DSBN endorses the establishment and maintenance of the Parent Involvement Committee. This committee is a committee of the DSBN. This committee, chaired by a parent member selected by the committee is composed of parent/community representatives from School Councils across the district, plus School Administrator and Trustee members. It will meet regularly to provide information, facilitate communication, provide opportunities for meetings and workshops and to be a link with the Board of Trustees and Senior Administration.

The mandate of the PIC is to:

- support, encourage, and enhance meaningful parent engagement at the board level to improve student achievement and well-being
- provide information and advice to the board on parent engagement
- communicate with and support school councils
- undertake activities to help parents support their children's learning at home and at school

2. **COMPOSITION**

The committee shall be composed of:

- a) One (1) parent representative from an elementary and one (1) from a secondary School Council in each Municipality of the District School Board of Niagara. These members shall be chosen by lot by the Board from among volunteers from each Area who declare an interest and willingness to serve and are able to attend on a regular basis. It is expected that representatives identify themselves as a committee contact person to the Chairs of each School Council in their area. They also will strive to make all School Councils in the Area aware of the work of the Parent Involvement Committee.
- b) Representation {maximum of four (4)} chosen from the Elementary and Secondary School Administrator(s).
- c) Representation {maximum of two (2)} chosen from the Board of Trustees.
- d) Superintendent of Schools designated by the Director of Education.
- e) Up to two (2) community representatives.
- f) Any interested parents who serve on their School Council, will be welcome to participate in PIC meetings and activities.

3. **BYLAWS**

The PIC Committee shall establish and update bylaws which are consistent with the Education Act and Regulations detailing membership terms, meeting frequency, etc.

References

Policy A-12: School Councils
Administrative Procedure 1-09: School Councils