BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Shared Decision Making

Intellectual development of its students is the core of the mission of the Kennewick School District. The board recognizes that student learning needs vary and learning is most successful in a highly supportive, inviting environment in which teachers, students, parents, and others work closely and harmoniously together.

Each school shall develop a Learning Improvement Team (LIT), Site Council (SC), or CTE Advisory Committee (CTE AC) which will participate in shared decisions intended to improve student learning. Each LIT, SC, or CTE AC shall develop a plan for its school by specifying the activities, necessary human and technical resources, and budget that will improve student learning in that school. The team will operate within district policies unless waived by the board, budget parameters, requirements of contracts to which the district is a party, and all other legal constraints.

Each LIT, SC, or CTE AC shall consist of the building principal, instructional and support staff, classified school employees, parents, community members, and, where appropriate, students. No one group shall comprise a majority of the LIT, SC, or CTE AC.

Learning Improvement Teams, Site Councils, or CTE Advisory Committees shall function in an advisory capacity to the Board of Directors and administration, taking care not to assume the statutory powers of the Board of Directors, superintendent or the principal, unless waived. The Board of Directors acknowledges that its broad authority to manage the school district is mandated by the legislature and is non-delegable.

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