

Administrative Procedure 525

PARTNERSHIPS IN EDUCATION

Background

A partnership is a direct, ongoing and mutually beneficial relationship, normally between an individual business or organization and a school. The focus in each partnership is on enhancing student learning through the provision of volunteer support and resources.

The Division encourages and supports the development of partnerships with local businesses and organizations for the purpose of enhancing the learning experiences of students, increasing community understanding of public education and creating a community of life-long learners in the Division.

Procedures

1. The outcomes of partnerships must enhance the delivery of a quality experience based on the principles of Catholic education.
2. All partners need to be aware of the Division's responsibility for students and the safeguards and procedures which have been and will be implemented.
3. Partnerships are to be designed to retain or promote the legal and moral authorities of the Division.
4. All safeguards related to the well being of students must be evident in the operational plan of the partnership.
 - 4.1 All partnerships shall have an operational plan, which must include the expectations of all parties.
5. The principals, in consultation with the Superintendent, will be the primary decision-makers regarding the operation of a partnership in their school.
 - 5.1 Principals shall have the approval of the Superintendent before entering into any partnership.
6. Assistance for principals with interpretation of Board policy or administrative procedures or in the implementation of a partnership is available by contacting the Superintendent.
7. Evaluation of the partnership must be completed and communicated to all participants each year.

Reference: Section 20, 27, 60, 61, 113 School Act

