

PARENT ORGANIZATIONS

The Caldwell County Board of Education believes that parents and teachers are vital partners in the successful education of children. The Board also recognizes the roles various parent organizations play in the school system. Since the leadership provided by those organizations is valuable to the improvement of educational programs and community support, the Board offers its full cooperation and encourages collaboration among parent organizations, administrators, teachers, and students.

Each school is encouraged to have an active parent/teacher organization which should participate in the county PTA/PTO Council. Schools are also encouraged to have appropriate academic, athletic and other Booster clubs.

General Guidelines for parent organizations are:

- ☞ All projects involving the school shall be approved by the principal.
- ☞ Fundraising programs and activities:
 - ☐ Shall not be conducted within the instructional day.
 - ☐ Conducted off school property by the parent organization shall not be the responsibility of the school system.
- ☞ Participation in projects shall not restrict any student from educational or social experiences.
- ☞ Funds shall be separate from school accounts but shall be subject to sound accounting and finance procedures.

While the Board recognizes the significant contributions made by parent organizations in the area of equipment and improvements to buildings and grounds, the following guidelines shall apply:

- ☞ School building or grounds may not be renovated or undergo major change without prior written approval of the school principal and the Superintendent/designee.
- ☞ Supplies or equipment purchased for the school must be approved in advance by the school principal.
- ☞ All equipment purchases shall be accounted for and recorded in the school's equipment inventory records.
- ☞ All items given to the school become the property of the Caldwell County Board of Education.

Parent organizations shall not provide additional compensation to personnel employed by Caldwell County Schools without the prior approval of the Superintendent.

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