The Board supports the formation of parent and booster organizations. Booster and parent organizations are non-district entities operated and supported by parents and other community members to increase the opportunities for student success and support student activities.

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

"Booster organization:" refers to all volunteer parent and/or community organizations that engage in activities aimed at generating money, goods, support or services to support school programs in the Santa Fe Public Schools.

"Parent organization:" means parent-teacher organizations, generally located at each school site or campus, that provide financial support or volunteer assistance to the school.

Booster and parent organizations are separate from the District; however, such organizations shall organize and function in a way that is consistent with the District's philosophy and objectives, within adopted Board policies. While the District maintains exclusive control regarding the use of the District name and management of the District operations and personnel, parent and booster organizations may use District facilities with prior approval of the Superintendent and/or appropriate campus administrator.

All donations by parent organizations and booster clubs must be in compliance with district policies. Before booster clubs or other district-affiliated parent groups purchase equipment for the schools, including computer hardware and software, the principal or designee must be notified of the planned purchase in advance. In consultation with the Superintendent or designee, the principal or designee shall determine the type or brand of equipment to buy to ensure compatibility with current District equipment.

The District reserves the right to restrict all fund raising or donations to specific student activities as necessary to comply with all legal requirements.

The Board directs the Administration to develop procedures for initial and annual registration of parent organizations and booster clubs which wish to be district affiliated.

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