MIDD-WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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	228. STUDENT GOVERNMENT
1. Purpose	The Board acknowledges the importance of offering students the opportunity to participate in self government within the schools.
	The purpose of student government shall be to develop student leadership, provide a learning experience in democratic decision-making, and offer another avenue toward the realization of District goals.
2. Authority SC 511	The Board establishes that students shall have the right to organize, conduct meetings, elect officers and representatives, and petition the Board.
	The Board will recognize the Student Council as the official voice of the student body for students in grades 9 through 12.
	The charter, constitution or bylaws of the organization for student government shall be duly adopted by the members of the student body it represents, and approved by the Board.
SC 511	The Board shall appoint a qualified member of the faculty to serve as an advisor for student government activities.
3. Guidelines	The Student Council shall be fully responsible for the planning, organization or coordination of the following activities:
	1. Its own government.
	2. Student social events.
	3. Fund raising projects.
	4. Activities and projects suggested by students, except that all such activities must first be approved by the administration.

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	The Student Council shall provide input into development of a Code of Student Conduct.
4. Delegation of Responsibility	The Superintendent or designee shall establish rules and regulations to implement this policy which:
SC 511 Pol. 618	1. Invite the participation of students in their formulation.
	2. Assure that all students have equal access to the student government and an equal opportunity to vote and hold office.
	3. Require fiscal accountability and adherence to Board policy for all financial aspects of student government activity.
	4. Require that decisions made and actions taken by the student government organization, in accordance with and within the scope of its constitution, shall not be voided or vetoed by any staff member.
	5. Establish a committee of review composed of students, administrators and teaching staff members to annually evaluate the effectiveness of student government activities toward meeting the goals established by this policy.
School Code 511	
Board Policy 618	

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