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## 600.2 School-based Decision Making

## Policy

Principals shall work with parents, teachers and, when appropriate, students and members of the community to make school-based decisions. School-based decisions shall be consistent with Division and provincial goals, priorities and decisions.

## Regulations

- 1. All schools shall develop and implement a school-based decision making model.
  - 1.1. The focus of the school-based decision making model employed by each school shall be teaching and learning.
  - 1.2. The roles, responsibilities and relationships associated with the collaborative decision making process utilized in each school shall be defined by the principal in consultation with the staff and School Council.
- 2. The principal shall provide opportunities for the staff and School Council to be meaningfully involved in school-based decisions on programs, budgets and procedures.
- 3. The Division shall provide opportunities for schools to be meaningfully involved in Division decisions on programs, budgets and policies.
- 4. The Division budget shall allocate funds to schools in a manner that encourages school-based decision making.
- 5. The principal shall ensure that appropriate professional learning opportunities are in place for staff and School Council members in connection with their roles and responsibilities in school-based decision making.

The Board delegates to the Superintendent the authority to develop the procedures necessary to implement this policy.

## References

Alberta School Act: 20, 22

Division Policies: 1002.4 School Councils

