



**Board Policy LE: School-Community Organizations Relations**

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The DeKalb County Board of Education supports community involvement in district, school, and student activities. Parents, community members, and other stakeholders are encouraged to take part in volunteer and fundraising groups that help strengthen school programs. This policy provides guidelines for the establishment, operation, fundraising activities, and financial management of PTA/PTSAs, PTOs, booster clubs, and school foundations.

The board recognizes the following school-community organizations:

1. Parent Teacher Association/ Parent Teacher Student Association (PTA/PTSA) - A local, school-based, dues-paying chapter of the national and state PTA organization.
2. Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) - A parent or community-led organization, other than a PTA/PTSA, that voluntarily raises funds to support a specific school in the district. Regulation LE-R(2) [LE-R\(2\): School-Community Organizations Relations - Parent Teacher Organizations](#) lists specific requirements for PTOs.
3. Booster Organization - A parent or community-led organization that voluntarily raises funds and provides support to specific student activity programs within district schools. Regulation LE-R(3) [LE-R\(3\): School-Community Organizations Relations - Booster Organizations](#) lists specific requirements for booster organizations.
4. School Foundation - A registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization established to support and enhance the educational programs and initiatives of a school by donating funds, services, or infrastructure.

The following general guidelines apply to all school-community organizations:

1. Organizations must be registered with the district and coordinate specific activities with the principal of the school they support.
  2. Parent and community volunteers assisting with school activities, events, or projects must comply with Board Policy IFCD: School Volunteers. [IFCD: School Volunteers](#)
  3. On-campus fundraising activities must comply with Regulation KEB-R(1): Solicitations [KEB-R\(1\): Solicitations - Solicitations](#) and must not interfere with student instructional time.
  4. Any donation made to an individual school or to the district must comply with Board Policy DFK: Gifts and Bequests. [DFK: Gifts and Bequests](#)
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