

## **STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING**

The board shall consider student opinions in establishing policies, particularly those in the area of student privileges and other areas of student sensitivity.

Students shall be welcomed at board meetings and granted privileges of speaking in line with such privileges extended the general public.

At the high school level, the board shall consider the student council the spokesman for the student body. The president of the student council shall serve as ex-officio student representative to the board. S/he shall be permitted to enter into all discussions of the board at regular and special meetings, but will have no vote. S/he may attend executive sessions held during regular or special meetings or other executive sessions only on specific direction resulting from a majority action of the elected members of the Board of Education.

The administration shall set up channels of communication with students through which the students may voice their views and suggestions on school regulations and programs.

**Adopted: date of manual adoption**  
**Current practice codified 1975**

**City of Augusta**  
**Department of Public Schools**