

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Upper Marlboro, Maryland

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Policy No.

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Alumni Advisory Council

The Board of Education values the involvement and collaboration of all community stakeholders. Furthermore, the Board recognizes the positive impact former Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) students may have on a school's climate and community through their commitment, guidance, and experiences. The Board believes PGCPS alumni could contribute significant and continuing input in the following ways:

1. Improving and increasing student mentorship and development through the aforementioned positive impact factors;
2. Improving alumni relations between the Board, school system, and community; and,
3. Improving the perception of schools and build trust among the community.

Due to the desire to engage PGCPS alumni, the Board of Education establishes a 18-member Alumni Advisory Council, comprised of graduates from high schools within Prince George's County and a Member of the Board of Education. The Board of Education shall appoint members to this advisory council per the following criteria:

1. Nine (9) members shall be appointed representing the nine elected Board of Education districts, based off the following criteria: three (3) residents of or alumni of high schools within Districts 1, 2, and/or 3; three (3) residents of or alumni of high schools within Districts 4, 5, and/or 6; and, three (3) residents of or alumni of high schools within Districts 7, 8, and/or 9;
2. Five (5) members shall be appointed representing entities within the faith-based, nonprofit, community/civic organization, or business sectors; and,
3. Three (3) members shall be appointed representing school-level staff, faculty, and administration as a current PGCPS employee.
4. One (1) member shall be appointed by the Chair of the Board, so long as that member serves on the Board's Family and Community Engagement Standing Committee. The Board Chair, whenever possible, may give preference in his/her appointee if s/he is a graduate of PGCPS. This member of the Council shall have no voting powers of matters before the Council.

If one of the specified groups fails to meet the maximum number of nominees to fill a position, the Chair of the Board shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy. Each member shall serve for a term of two academic years. A Council member may not serve for more than two consecutive terms. A member whose term has expired shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

The Board of Education and the Chief Executive Officer shall consult regularly, at a minimum of three times a school year, with the Council at such times determined appropriate by the Council's Chair.

All members of the Council shall be required to submit proof to the Board's Executive Director that s/he is a resident of Prince George's County and has graduated from a high school affiliated with PGCPs.

### Council Charges

The 18-member Alumni Advisory Council shall establish, at the start of each academic year, a year-long agenda that may be comprised of, but not limited to, the following areas:

1. Alumni recruitment for both volunteer and employment opportunities within PGCPs;
2. Providing support to the school system's *Excellence in Education Foundation* to elicit donations for school system wide and/or school specific events, initiatives, scholarships, and other post-PGCPs academic opportunities; and,
3. Providing insight and an alumni-focused perspective on matters before the Board of Education.

### Administrative Charge

The Board of Education requires the Chief Executive Officer to appoint a liaison, who shall be a representative of the Department of Family and Community Engagement. This liaison shall attend all meetings of the Alumni Advisory Council to provide administrative support for any Council initiatives.

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