

Pennsbury School District

School Board Policy

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Title: Pennsbury Partners Program

Purpose: The Pennsbury Partners Program re-affirms that collaboration – formal and informal – with business and industry, governmental entities and agencies, foundations, and health, education and social welfare organizations is in the best interest of the district’s mission, programs and constituents. Partnerships must be linked to the School District’s standards and curriculum, and support student achievement. Partnerships are mutually beneficial when well-defined, coordinated, evaluated and recognized. It is the School District’s belief that partnership relationships which extend and enrich educational opportunities will assist in the implementation of its strategic plans, and in so doing, will better fulfill the public trust.

This document, Index No. 910.2, replaces the previous Index No. 8002R.

Policy: It is the policy of the Pennsbury School District that the Pennsbury Partners Program will seek to establish appropriate community partnerships involving human, material and financial support of School District programs and services.

Criteria: The following criteria shall be used as a guide in establishing, implementing, evaluating and recognizing a partnership. It is desirable that the partnership:

- Is part of the strategic planning process
- Has a well-defined mission and coherent purpose
- Is implementable
- Is replicable
- Focuses on critical problems/needs
- Leverages resources; builds capacities
- Can engage the understanding and support of the community; improves constituency relations

- Targets the instructional core
- Enhances innovation/reform; will make a difference
- Meets future work force needs
- Fosters an improved citizenry and quality of life
- Engenders consensus building, participation and meaningful relationships
- Renews the community's ownership in the public schools.

Approval: The Board of School Directors shall approve all formal partnerships entered into in pursuance of this policy, which obligate School District funds or other resources.

Procedure: The Superintendent or Chief Executive Officer shall set out the appropriate procedures and duties by which this policy shall be implemented.

Responsible Administrator: Chief Executive Officer or Superintendent