

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN
DECISION-MAKING

ADOPTED: November 19, 2013

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<p>232. STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION-MAKING</p>	
<p>1. Purpose</p>	<p>The Board believes that students should participate in the governance of school activities at levels appropriate to their ages and competencies because as an institution fundamental to the operation of a democratic society, the schools should strive to exemplify the democratic ideal of citizen participation in decision-making and students are a valuable resource whose contributions can aid and benefit the programs of the schools.</p>
<p>2. Authority</p>	<p>The Board directs that students may be invited to participate in activities appropriate to their maturity and competency, leading to administrative decision-making in policies, procedures, and programs, including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Code of Student Conduct. 2. Comprehensive planning. 3. Curriculum planning. 4. Systems of assessment. 5. Safety programs. 6. Selection of resource materials. <p>Suggestions for improvement may be offered by any student, provided they are of a constructive nature and contribute toward the realization of the district's educational goals.</p>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop rules to implement this policy which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide for submission, consideration, and response to constructive student suggestions. 2. Ensure that student participation is fairly representational of the whole student body.

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	<p>3. Ensure that the student voice and vote in decision-making is fairly balanced with those of faculty, administration and community members.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510</p>
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