

ANGLOPHONE SOUTH DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL

POLICY TYPE: Governance Process

POLICY NO: 4.1

POLICY TITLE: Governing Style

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4.1 The District Education Council (DEC) will govern with emphasis on organizational vision; encourage diversity in viewpoints; focus on strategic leadership; observe clear distinction between Council and Superintendent roles; make collective decisions; exhibit future orientation; and govern proactively.

Accordingly:

1. The Council is responsible for excellence in governing.
 - a. The Council will cultivate a sense of group responsibility.
 - b. The Council will use the expertise of individual Council members to enhance the ability of the Council as a body, but will not substitute individual judgments and opinions for the Council's collective values.
 - c. The Council will work in partnership with the Superintendent, students, parents and the community.
2. The Council will hold itself accountable for governing with excellence. This self-discipline will be measured by:
 - a. attendance,
 - b. preparation for meetings,
 - c. adherence to policy-making principles,
 - d. respect of roles,
 - e. ensuring effective governance capability for future success and
 - f. discipline to policies in the Governance Process and Council/Staff Relationship categories.
3. The Council will direct the district through the careful establishment of written policies reflecting the Council's values and perspectives. The Council's major policy focus will be on the intended long-term benefits for students, not on the administrative or programmatic means of attaining those benefits.
4. The Council is committed to continuous development. Strategies for strong leadership will include:
 - a. resources for potential candidates for the Council,
 - b. orientation resources for new members on DEC policy and governance process, and
 - c. Council debriefing and evaluation of our processes for continued improvement.

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Reviewed: September 3, 2025

5. The Council will allow no officer, individual, panel or committee of the Council to hinder or be an excuse for not fulfilling its commitments.

Policy	Date of Self-Evaluation	DEC behaviour is fully compliant	DEC behaviour needing improvement or opportunity for continuous improvement	Commitment Made/ Action Taken	Completed (Yes/No)
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