

PERKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL **BYLAWS**

ARTICLE I: Who we are

We are the Perkins Elementary Advisory Council, St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Fla.

ARTICLE II: Why We Are Here

We exist solely for the sake of the students. With their welfare always in mind, we set policy limits and obligations of state law.

We vow to do all we can to give Perkins' children the best possible education, to mix and match the best in our community, families and schools to help students excel. We build the school around the magnet of fine arts, foreign languages and humanities, but we also stress basic studies and subjects. We promote strength of mind, body, spirit and character so students will think for themselves to make the right choices all their lives. We must graduate not just good students, but good citizens.

ARTICLE III: What We Are Not

We each have our own beliefs. Indeed, in diversity we draw strength. But as a group we hold no political, religious or commercial purpose.

ARTICLE IV: Officers, Elections and Membership

SECTION 1 (Membership)

SAC members shall come from three groups:

1. Parents of Perkins children;
2. School board employees at Perkins
3. The community – those who live near the school or care about it.

All custodial parents of Perkins students and full-time Perkins employees are duly elected SAC members. Members of the community can be elected to SAC by a SAC quorum of 10 members (a simple majority vote is needed).

SECTION 2 (Officers)

The Perkins SAC will have three officers:

1. The Chair, runs meetings and sets agendas. We value continuity, so the chair must have attended a majority of meetings held by SAC the previous year. The chair will be a parent.
2. The Vice Chair, substitutes in the chair's absence, will be a school employee.
3. The Secretary, records discussions and action of each meeting and publishes the agenda.

Officers assume the duties of a two year term immediately after election. Officers will be elected at the May meeting, if necessary.

SECTION 3 (Meetings and Voting)

*The SAC meets a minimum of 4 times a year.

*10 SAC members constitute a quorum.

*Proposals put to a vote require a simple majority of a SAC quorum.

*Bylaws can be amended by a two-thirds vote of a SAC quorum at a properly noticed meeting.

