

	<h2>GOVERNANCE POLICIES</h2>
Policy Type	Governance Process
Policy Name	Role of Council
Policy Number	ASD-W-GP2
Effective Date: September 20, 2012	Revised: October 23, 2014, September 22, 2016

<p><u>Policy:</u></p> <p>The role of the council is to represent the community and to lead the district by setting direction and monitoring performance.</p>
<p>Accordingly, the Council has a mandate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articulate the District Education Council’s vision for education; • Provide quality programs for all students throughout the District; • Establish and monitor District Education Council policy based on vision and provincial policy; • Establish a budget and monitor its implementation; • Equip and maintain schools; • Evaluate the performance of the superintendent and the school district on an annual basis; • Monitor/recommend the establishment and closure of school; and • Perform all other duties required by the Education Act. <p>To distinguish the Council’s own unique role from the roles of the Superintendent and staff, the Council shall concentrate its efforts on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Determine and use proactive strategies to ensure constructive two-way dialogue for input from students, staff, parents and the community as a mean to link to the entire community around the Council’s Ends policies. 2. Develop written governing policies which, at the broadest levels, address: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Governance Process: how the Council will conceive, carry out and monitor its own work; b) Council/Staff relationship: how authority is delegated and its proper use monitored; the Superintendent’s role, authority and accountability; c) Superintendent Limitations: constraints on Superintendent’s authority which establish the practical, ethical and legal boundaries within which all staff activity and decision-making will take place and be monitored; and

d) Ends Results: organizational impacts, benefits and results for specified recipients.

3. Ensure the Superintendent's performance through monitoring Ends and Superintendent's Limitations policies.
4. Ensure Council performance through monitoring Governance Process and Council/Staff relationship policies.
5. Ensure that the Ends results are the focus of organizational performance.

MONITORING:

Method(s)	Frequency	Month
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council Self-evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 times per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• December• May