

PINECREST PARENT COUNCIL

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Pinecrest School Parent Council (“Parent Council”).

ARTICLE II OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Parent Council are:

1. To promote and maintain cordial, cooperative and mutually beneficial relationships for the benefit of the children between the parents and staff of Pinecrest School.
2. To provide channels of communication through which parents, teachers and administrators may be informed about the policies and programs of Pinecrest School and of the East Lansing Board of Education and through which parents may express their views and offer suggestions with respect to such policies and programs.
3. To enhance the learning process by supporting the staff in educational activities.
4. To study matters on issues which may affect Pinecrest School and to communicate the results of such studies to the appropriate body(ies.)

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Membership consists of all parents or guardians of Pinecrest School children and the staff of Pinecrest School. There shall be no mandatory dues. However, a voluntary contribution from each family is suggested. The amount shall be determined by the Budget Committee each September.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

1. There shall be a minimum of six (6) regular meetings of the Parent Council during each school year.
2. Special meetings of the Parent Council may be called by the President with the concurrence of the Executive Board.
3. A quorum shall consist of those members present at any regular meeting.
4. All meetings shall be announced to the membership and open to the public.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

1. The officers of this organization shall be the President, President-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer.

2. All officers and committee chairpersons must be members of the Parent Council.

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ARTICLE VIII COMMITTEES

The following shall be the standing committee of this organization:

Budget Committee – The Budget Committee shall consist of the President, President-Elect, and Treasurer of the Parent Council, four additional Parent Council members, and a teacher representative. This committee shall review and recommend budgets for incidental operating expenses; shall review budgets for all projects for the Parent Council and recommend appropriate allocations of funds to be voted on by the general membership present at regular Parent Council meetings, or in the event of an emergency, by the Executive Board.

Members of this Committee shall be recruited at the May meeting of the Parent Council following the election of officers, and shall be appointed by the Executive Board. This Committee shall meet at least one time prior to the beginning of the subsequent school year.

ARTICLE IX PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Roberts Rules of Order Revised shall govern this Parent Council in all cases in which they are applicable and consistent.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

1. These By-Laws may be amended at any general membership meeting of the organization by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, provided the proposed amendment has been introduced at the previous general membership meeting and publicized by a written notice.

2. By-Laws and Amendments shall become effective at the close of the meeting at which they are adopted.