# Intergovernmental Committee Statement of Purpose

# What is the purpose of the Intergovernmental Committee?

The purpose of the Intergovernmental Committee is to coordinate, support, and promote all efforts to identify, assess, and cultivate awareness, communication, and collaboration within our community to address the needs of the East Lansing Public Schools through an equitable and inclusive lens.

### Membership

The Committee will consist of three (3) Board members, fewer Board members than would constitute a quorum of the Board as guided by Policy 2505 Board Committees. Two (2) non-voting Student Representatives as guided by Policy 2104 Student Representative on the Board. District Administration and community partners can also participate on the committee in non-voting roles.

#### Meetings

Committee meetings will be convened by the Committee chairperson or individual as designated by the chairperson. They will be conducted consistent with the parliamentary authority provided by Robert's Rules of Order as guided by Policy 2501 Meetings. When applicable, Committee meetings must be held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act as guided by Policy 2501 Meetings. Any committee that is authorized to deliberate, narrow options, eliminate options or otherwise make decisions on the Board's behalf must conduct its meetings in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, including notice requirements, recording minutes, and allowing for public participation. When required by the Open Meetings Act, the Committee may direct that minutes of its meeting will be recorded, even if not required by the Open Meetings Act as guided by Policy 2505 Board Committees.

# Areas of Focus

The Intergovernmental Committee chair will keep committee members and the Board informed of pending legislation and actively communicate concerns of the Board to elected representatives at both the local, state, and national level as guided by Policy 2201.01 Board Powers/General Powers-Board Legislative Program.

Areas of focus of the Committee will center on engaging collaboration and purposeful action. These areas include but are not limited to:

- Promoting awareness of the District's needs and increasing engagement of government, businesses, and organizations within the community.
- Advocating for District needs through various channels.

- Creating, strengthening, and maintaining positive relationships with East Lansing Public Schools greater community.
- Act as liaison with partners for advocacy and collaboration.

