

ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

It is the duty of the School Board to appoint advisory councils or committees of citizens of the school division for consultation with reference to specific matters pertaining to local schools. In addition, pursuant to the Code of Virginia, Board of Education regulations, and federal law, the School Board shall establish advisory committees for the following programs: special education and career and technical education. These committees shall serve without compensation for one-year terms.

A Gifted Education Advisory Committee will be established. The Committee will annually review the local plan for the education of gifted students, including revisions, and determine the extent to which the plan for the previous year was implemented. The comments and recommendations of the Committee will be submitted in writing directly to the School Board and the superintendent. The Committee will reflect the ethnic and geographical composition of the school division.

A School Health Advisory Board (SHAB) will be established. The SHAB will be comprised of no more than twenty members. The members will include broad-based community representation, including parents, students, health professional, educators, and others. The SHAB will assist with the development of health policy in the school division and the evaluation of the status of school health, health education, the school environment, and health services. The SHAB will hold meetings at least semi-annually and will annually report on the status and needs of student health in the division to any relevant school, the School Board, the Virginia Department of Health, and the Virginia Department of Education.

The School Board may request that the SHAB recommend to the School Board procedures relating to children with acute or chronic illnesses or conditions, including, but not limited to, appropriate emergency procedures for any life-threatening conditions and designation of school personnel to implement the appropriate emergency procedures.]

A School Safety Audit Committee will be established to evaluate, in accordance with the directions of the School Board, the safety of each school and submit a plan for improving school safety at a public meeting of the School Board. The committee shall include representatives of parents, teachers, local law-enforcement agencies, judicial and public safety personnel, and the community-at-large.

A Parent Advisory Council will be established to provide advice on all matters related to parental involvement in programs supported by Title I, Part A and/or Limited English Proficiency programs under Title III.

A Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Committee will be established to provide meaningful and ongoing consultation with, and input from, parents in the development of the application and administration of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities program.

A Career and Technical Education Advisory Council will be established to provide recommendations on current job needs and the relevancy of career and technical education programs offered and to assist in the development, implementation and evaluation of the local plan and application. The Council shall be composed of members of the public, including students, teachers, parents, and the representatives from business, industry, and labor, with

