



The Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7 recognizes the rights of parents to be involved in their children's education and for parents, community members and school staff to be involved in key decisions about the education of students. In each school in the district, parents and the school community are to be provided with the opportunity to establish and maintain a school council. School councils have a role in advising and consulting with the principal on any matter relating to the school.

Definition:

A **school council** is a collective association of parents, teachers, principals, staff, students (where appropriate), and community representatives who seek to work together to promote the well being and effectiveness of the entire school community and thereby to enhance student learning. A school council provides a means to facilitate cooperation among all the concerned participants in the local school.

Resource: *School Council Handbook Edmonton Catholic Schools*
School Council Handbook: Meaningful Involvement for the School Community

Reference:	Board Governance Policy EL# 4(1) <i>School Act</i> Section 22, 60(2.c) Alberta Education Policy 1.8.3 School Councils Regulation A.R. 171/98	Approved: 
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