## SCHOOL-BASED DECISION-MAKING

## **Background**

The Division supports school-based decision-making in its schools by decentralizing those decision-making functions of the Division that are best made at the school level. Individual school communities are empowered to make decisions and allocate resources in a collaborative manner to best support the educational needs of all students.

## **Procedures**

- 1. All decisions made at the school level must be in accordance with all relevant legislation, Board policies and Division administrative procedures.
- 2. The Principal is responsible for the educational leadership, safety and well-being of students and staff and the management and operation of the school.
- 3. School Councils have an important advisory role in the school-based decision-making process.
- 4. Decisions made at the school level will be made in a collaborative manner with administration, school staff, School Council and the community.

Reference: Section 33, 52, 53, 55, 197, 222 Education Act

School Councils Regulation AR 113/2007 School Council Resource Manual (1995) School Councils Handbook (1999)