

Multilingual Learner Parent Advisory Council (MLPAC) Bylaws

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this self-governing organization shall be the Multilingual Learner Parent Advisory Council.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The Match Multilingual Parent Council will:

1. Advocate for multilingual learners, including those identified by the state as English Learners or Former English Learners
2. Foster better understanding and communication between teachers, administrators, and caregivers
3. Provide Match with parental input and recommendations for its Multilingual Learner Program and policies

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

The membership of the Match Multilingual Parent Council shall be comprised of:

1. Parents, guardian, and caregivers of Multilingual Learners at Match Charter Public School, including students designated as “Former English Learners”

Section 2

There shall be an annually-elected parent officer (Chairperson) responsible for leading the Match Multilingual Parent Council.

The responsibilities of the Chairperson are to:

1. With support from the Director of Language Acquisition, prepare the agenda for the Council meetings
2. Act as a liaison between the Match Multilingual Parent Council and Match Charter Public School
3. Call and preside at all meetings of the Match Multilingual Parent Advisory Council
4. Facilitate meetings tri-annually
5. Annually request a review of the Bylaws

ARTICLE IV: ELECTIONS

Section 1

Elections for officers shall take place each year at the last meeting of the school year. Parents should have the opportunity to nominate themselves or anyone else.

Section 2

The elected officers shall hold office for one school year. If a vacancy shall occur for any reason, the members shall nominate and elect a successor at the next meeting of the Match Multilingual Learner Parent Advisory Council.

Section 3

To be eligible to serve in the role of Chairperson, an individual must be the parent, foster parent, person acting a parent or guardian of a child who is or was formerly identified as an English Learner and who is currently enrolled at Match Charter Public School.

Article V: Meeting

Section 1

The Chairperson will meet with the Director of Language Acquisition at the beginning of each school year to identify topics for the upcoming meetings for that school year. Additionally, they will communicate prior to each MLPAC meeting to review logistics and proposed agenda.

Section 2

At the start of the school year, the Chairperson shall establish and publish a schedule of meetings for the Council. The meetings can take place on zoom or in person at any of the 3 campuses.

Section 3

The council shall have at least three meetings per school year. The Chairperson may call additional meetings as needed.

Article VI: Review of Bylaws

The bylaws must be reviewed at the first Council meeting of each school year. The bylaws can also be amended at any other Council meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present if the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to members for their review prior to the meeting.

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