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**GRANT HIGH SCHOOL
DESIGN ADVISORY GROUP
CHARTER**



The PPS Chief of School Modernization will



Ethics & Expectations

This ethics clause provides general operational guidelines for DAG members to follow in carrying out their roles. Not all ethical issues that DAG members face are covered below. However, this document captures some of the critical areas that help define ethical and professional conduct for DAG members.

- The DAG members are volunteers and receive no direct or indirect compensation from the District for their services as members of the DAG.
- The DAG members may not have an active or pending contract with the District, nor enter into a contract during their term of service.
- The DAG may not include any vendor, contractor or consultant of the District.
- A DAG member serves at the discretion of the Chief of School Modernization. If a DAG member resigns, violates the Ethics clauses contained herein, fails to attend two consecutive DAG meetings without reasonable excuse, or otherwise becomes unable to serve on the DAG, the PPS Chief of School Modernization may declare the position on the DAG to be vacant and appoint another qualified person to the DAG.

EXPECTATIONS: As a Committee member, you are expected to:

- Recognize that the chief function of PPS at all times is to serve the best interest of all its students.
- Affirm the dignity and worth of the public education services rendered by Portland Public Schools and maintain a constructive, creative and practical attitude toward PPS affairs and a deep sense of social responsibility as group members.
- Accept and support the work completed by previous committees where that work has a direct impact on the work of this group.
- Make every effort to attend all meetings, to arrive on time, and to be prepared.
- Advise the DAG's support staff in advance if you know you will be absent for a DAG meeting.
- Be respectful of all people at all times, regardless of whether you agree or disagree with their point of view.
- Take personal responsibility for encouraging respectful behavior among your fellow committee members.
- Refrain from criticizing board members, staff members, other committee members, or any citizen in public.



- Speak when recognized by the chairperson. Don't interrupt or engage in side conversations when another group member is speaking or a member of the design team is presenting. Expect that same courtesy.
- Be brief and to the point; don't posture or grandstand.
- Clearly explain how you came to your position on a subject and how it serves the public interest.
- Respect the different styles of fellow committee members.
- Be open to changing your mind based on new information.
- Understand that it is not necessary to weigh in on every question. •

