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THE GOVERNING BODY (AV)

Guiding Principles

The Governing body of Durban High School pledges to the parents, staff and learners at the school that the Governing body will work tirelessly to ensure that DHS not only continues to be considered the best in our area, but also to set our course to improve and excel in the education of our most prized gifts, our children.

The Governing body has committed itself to continue with the good work done over the last few years in making an education at Durban High School a most sought after commodity.

The school has enjoyed a number of great successes over the last number of years and the goal of the Governing body is to build on the excellent foundation that has been laid, hence the development of a three year strategic plan to take the school to a new level.

- The Governing body and Staff of Durban High School are committed to the intellectual, emotional, spiritual, cultural and physical development of each learner.
- The School is committed to providing a high standard of education which gives each learner the necessary life skills which will ensure that he is able to succeed in our new and changing society.
- We are committed to the appointment of the best qualified staff that will be able to provide the above criteria at the highest standards.
- The School is committed to Developing each pupil to his full potential
- Serving our community and developing high moral standards of behaviour

THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF THE GOVERNING BODY

1. To undertake the governance of the school as a matter of trust toward the school community.
2. To perform tasks and functions allocated in a consultative and democratic manner
3. To observe the requirements of fairness in all administrative action to be taken within the course and scope of the function of the Governing Body.
4. To provide constructive support to the Principal and staff.
5. To create out of available resources an education friendly environment for staff and learners alike.
6. To uphold the Bill of Rights set forth in the Constitution of the land. .
7. To observe and comply with relevant laws and policy governing education.
8. With all the resources available to the Governing Body, to protect the interests of the stakeholders in the school and to resist any attempt to obstruct the ability of the School to provide effective and excellent education.
9. To strive for the right of autonomous governance of the School by its Governing Body and to support all those sharing this quest.
10. Not to allow any person to exploit the membership of the Governing Body to achieve his or her ends.
11. To be transparent as possible in the performance of the function of the Governing Body.
12. To protect learners, educators and non-educators against all forms of physical and mental violence.
13. To assist the Management and Staff in the constructive execution of its duties and functions as far as possible.

A measurable three year plan for the Governing Body ensures that there exists a strategic direction the school is headed towards. The Governing Body will work tirelessly to ensure that the strategic actions adopted within the plan are met and measured and that the management of the school takes accountability for the successes or failure in achieving the set goals.