

Allendale-Fairfax Elementary's By-Laws

2026-2027

The most prestigious and highly esteemed members of the Allendale-Fairfax Elementary School Improvement Council vows, pledges, and commits to:

Preamble:

- State the Board of Education's policy supporting parent, staff, students, at the high school level, and community involvement in school governance and continuous improvement. State the intent that every school has a School Governance Council to collaborate on improving student achievement.

Article I – Name

The Allendale-Fairfax Elementary's School Improvement Council" **maintain(s) organization under South Carolina state law (e.g., Public Act 10-111, Section 21(g)).**

Article II – Purpose

- Support the principal and the school's educational mission.
- Foster cooperation among parents, staff, students (where appropriate), and community leaders.
- Provide support for teachers and administrators.
- Encourage shared decision-making on education issues.
- Promote mutual understanding and respect among stakeholders.

Article III – Membership

Define who may serve (parents, staff, students at the secondary level, community members) and how members are selected or appointed.

Article IV – Duties

Outline responsibilities such as:

- Advising on school improvement initiatives.
- Reviewing and recommending policies.

- Coordinating community engagement.
- Supporting professional development.

Article V – Meetings

Specify meeting frequency, notice requirements, quorum, and agenda preparation.

Article VI – Reporting

Require periodic reports to the Board of Education and/or school community.

Article VII – Amendments

State the process for revising bylaws.