## LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Office of Parent and Community Services

# Office of Parent and Community Services RULES OF DECORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Based on LAUSD Board Rule 137)

Effective April 24, 2019

The Office of Parent and Community Services (PCS) welcomes the members of the public to all of the committee meetings and training sessions. As a reminder all committee meetings and/or training sessions held at the Office of Parent and Community Services (PCS) shall be conducted in an orderly manner to ensure that the public and the committee members have full opportunity to be heard and that the deliberative process of the committee is maintained at all times. The Office of Parent and Community Services (PCS)'s staff shall be responsible for enforcing the order and decorum of all committee meetings and training/sessions. All members of District committees are expected to abide by the committee's Operating Norms and Code of Conduct. While any meeting of a committee or a training is in session, the following rules of order and decorum shall be observed by all members of the public:

#### A. Persons Addressing the Committee

Each person who addresses the committee shall not make personal, impertinent, slanderous, or profane remarks to any committee member, staff, or public. Any person who makes such remarks, or who utters loud, threatening, personal or abusive language or engages in any other disorderly conduct will be barred from further audience before the committee during **that specific meeting**. This will be done at the discretion of the Office of Parent and Community Services (PCS)'s staff especially if this conduct disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of any committee meeting or training.

#### B. Members of the Audience

No person in the audience at a committee meeting shall engage in disorderly or boisterous conduct, including the utterance of loud, threatening or abusive language, whistling, stomping of feet or other acts which disturb, disrupt or otherwise impede the orderly conduct of any committee meeting. Any person who conducts himself or herself in the aforementioned manner may at the discretion of the PCS staff be advised that his or her conduct violates the Rules of Decorum and, that if such conduct persists, he or she may be removed from the meeting.

## C. Enforcement of Rules of Order and Decorum

The PCS staff shall request that a person who is breaching the rules of decorum be orderly and silent. If, after receiving a warning from the PCS staff, a person persists in disturbing the meeting, the PCS staff shall ask him or her to leave the committee meeting.