
SPECIAL INTEREST MATERIALS

Background

Students and staff of the schools are to be protected from intrusions on their time by announcements, flyers, posters, bulletins, and communications of any kind from individuals and organizations not directly connected with the school.

However, from time to time, materials may be made available by non-profit or commercial organizations that have educational value or provide a service to students that otherwise might not be available to them. The Principal will determine which materials may be distributed to students, subject to the approval of the Superintendent when there is doubt about the appropriateness of the materials.

Except by the express permission of the Superintendent, no collections or subscriptions for outside organizations shall be made by any person on school premises.

Procedures

1. Religious Materials

- 1.1. There shall be no general distribution of religious materials in school.

2. Propaganda and Prejudicial Material

- 2.1. The District prohibits the distribution of propaganda and materials based on religious, ethnic, or racial prejudice, either inside the schools or on school grounds.

3. Non-Profit Community Agencies

- 3.1. The following agencies or activities may approach individual principals to request dissemination of information:

- 3.1.1. Activities sponsored by municipal or regional governments.
- 3.1.2. Activities sponsored by public recreation associations.
- 3.1.3. Activities sponsored by the school or District PAC.
- 3.1.4. Activities/information provided by public post-secondary institutions.
- 3.1.5. Activities sponsored by recognized and established youth groups, fine arts associations, athletic clubs and service organizations and cultural groups.

- 3.2. Principals may choose to include such information in newsletters or posters and displays where time and space permit and/or when it is age-appropriate or appropriate to the school community in general.

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3.3. Principals shall not allow schools to act as registration locations during the school day.

4. Charities

4.1. Charities may approach individual schools for access to students at non-instructional times. However, principals are to exercise discretion in the number of fund-raising charities permitted in any one school year, and are encouraged to consult with staff and PAC.

Reference: Sections 8, 17, 20, 22, 65, 85 School Act
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

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