

Community Relations

Distribution and Display of Community Flyers and Posters

In accordance with procedures established by the Superintendent, and after prior approval from the Superintendent or his/her designee, non-school organizations may be permitted to distribute or display written materials relating to student-oriented activities or events.

For purposes of this policy:

1. the term “non-school organizations” includes students who wish to distribute or display materials relating to non-school groups, activities or events; and
2. the term “written materials” includes flyers, posters, circulars, advertisements, and similar items.

Any written materials to be distributed or displayed pursuant to this policy are subject to the approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee. The School District will not permit distribution or display of materials that would disrupt the educational process, violate the rights or invade the privacy of others, infringe on a trademark or copyright, or include obscene, vulgar or indecent content.

Materials approved for distribution will be given to students by the classroom teacher (or his/her designee) without discussion. Materials approved for display will be placed in the area reserved for community postings.

Commercial entries will not be permitted to distribute or display advertising materials, unless the purpose of the materials is to further a school activity (e.g., graduation, class pictures or class rings). Political candidates and organizations will not be permitted to distribute or display election materials.

LEGAL REF.: Berger v. Rensselaer Central School Corp., 982 F.2d 1160 (7th Cir. 1993), *cert. denied*, 113 S.Ct. 2344 (1993).
 DiLoreto v. Downey Unified School Dist., 196 F.3d 958 (9th Cir. 1999).
 Hedges v. Wauconda Community Unit School Dist., No. 118, 9 F.3d 1295 (7th Cir. 1993).
 Lamb’s Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School Dist., 113 S.Ct. 2141 (1993).
 Sherman v. Community Consolidated School Dist. 21, 8 F.3d 1160 (7th Cir. 1993), *cert. denied*, 114 S.Ct. 2109 (1994).
 Victory Through Jesus Sports Ministry v. Lee’s Summit R-7 Sch. Dist., 640 F.3d 329 (8th Cir. 2011), *cert. denied*, 132 S.Ct. 592 (2011).

CROSS REF.: 7:310 (Restrictions on Publications and Written or Electronic Material), 7:325 (Student Fundraising Activities), 7:330 (Student Use of Buildings – Equal Access)

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