

Distribution/Posting of Noncurricular Materials

The purpose of this policy is to define the parameters applicable to the distribution or posting of noncurricular printed materials on district property in a manner that does not disrupt the district's educational programs nor interfere with the district's mission. Requests from the public to distribute or post printed noncurricular materials in the district's schools or buildings or on district property may be permitted in accordance with this policy and accompanying regulation.

Noncurricular materials deemed "unacceptable" by the district shall not be approved for posting or distribution. The following shall be considered "unacceptable" material:

1. **Material that promotes or favorably portrays unlawful conduct or conduct that violates Board policy, including but not limited to the Board's policies prohibiting unlawful discrimination, harassment and bullying.**
2. **Material that is injurious to, or encourages conduct that threatens disruption of school operations or endangers the health or safety of staff and/or students.**
3. Materials designed for commercial purposes-advertising a product or service for sale or rent-unless the material itself has educational value that makes the commercial message a secondary consideration.
4. Material that is libelous, invades the rights of others or inhibits the functioning of the school **or district**, or advocates interference with the rights of any individual or with the normal operation of the school **or district**.
5. Material which in any way promotes, favors or opposes the candidacy of any candidate for election, or the adoption of any bond issue proposal, or any public question submitted at any general, municipal or school election. The prohibition **shall** not apply on any election day or special election when the school is being used as a polling place.
6. Material that is obscene, **vulgar** or **patently offensive** as defined by the standards **of the school community**.

This policy governs noncurricular material and is not intended and shall not be interpreted to **prevent or limit distribution of materials by district staff that are intended** to supplement **district curriculum in accordance with Board policy**. **District staff members who wish to distribute noncurricular materials shall comply with this policy and accompanying regulation.**

The superintendent **or designee** shall present to any person or persons wishing to distribute printed noncurricular materials a copy of this policy and the accompanying procedures.

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Legal Reference: C.R.S. 22-32-110 (1)(r) (***Board's authority to exclude objectionable materials***)

Cross References: **IMB, Teaching about Controversial/Sensitive Issues**
JICEA, School Related Student Publications
JICEC, Student Distribution of Noncurricula Materials