

Political Activity in Schools

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that school environments remain neutral and focused on education, free from partisan or non-partisan political influence during instructional hours and school-sponsored activities.

This policy applies to all school personnel, students, performance groups, school facilities, and community members using school property.

Prohibited Political Activity

No partisan or non-partisan political activity shall occur on school property while school is in session or during any school-sponsored event or activity.

School facilities shall not be used to distribute political speeches, printed materials, campaign paraphernalia, or similar content to students or school personnel.

Employees are strictly prohibited from using any school equipment, resources, or funds, including quasi-public funds for political purposes.

Student and Performance Group Participation

Curricular and co-curricular performance groups (e.g., bands, choirs, orchestras, drama clubs, drill teams, athletic teams and dance groups) shall not participate in any political activities or events.

Permissible Use of School Facilities

School facilities may be rented for political meetings in accordance with standard rental procedures, provided these events occur outside of instructional hours and are not school sponsored.

School employees, PTA groups, employee organizations, LSIC, and other school community members may use school property for:

- Meetings to learn information regarding school referendums.

- “Meet the Candidate” events, provided that all candidates for a particular office are invited to ensure neutrality and fairness

Consequences for Policy Violations

Violations of this policy will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Disciplinary actions shall be determined at the discretion of the Superintendent and/or his/her designee and may include but

are not limited to verbal warnings, written reprimands, suspension of facility use privileges, or further disciplinary measures as appropriate.

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