

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL EVENTS

The Board of Education welcomes the attendance of members of the community at athletic and other public events held by the schools in the District. ~~The Board also acknowledges its duty to maintain order and preserve the facilities of the District during the conduct of such events.~~ ***Due to the need to maintain order and preserve the facilities of the District during the conduct of such events, the Board retains the right to bar the attendance of or remove any person whose conduct may constitute a disruption at a school event. School administrators are expected to call law enforcement officials if a person violates posted regulations or does not leave the school property when reasonably requested. They are also authorized to use detectors and other devices to better ensure the safety and well-being of participants and visitors.***

The Board directs that no alcoholic beverage or other controlled substance be possessed, consumed, or distributed nor any betting occur at any function sponsored by the District or at any function occurring on District premises.

Raffles and similar forms of fund-raising by District-related organizations may be permitted by the Superintendent in accordance with Policy 9211, **■** District Support Organizations and Policy 9700, **■** Relations with Special Interest Groups.

No qualified person with a disability will, because the District's facilities are inaccessible to or unusable by persons with disabilities, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity to which Section 504/ADA applies.

For facilities constructed or altered after June 3, 1977, the District will comply with applicable accessibility standards. For those existing facilities constructed prior to June 3, 1977, the District is committed to operating its programs and activities so that they are readily accessible to persons with disabilities. This includes, but is not limited to, providing accommodations to parents with disabilities who desire access to their child's educational program or meetings pertinent thereto.

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If a student or adult is asked to leave or is removed from a school event, no admission fees shall be refunded.

Individuals with disabilities shall have an equal opportunity to purchase tickets for events that have been sanctioned or approved by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended.

Further, in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, the Board shall permit individuals with disabilities to be accompanied by their service animals in all areas of the District's facilities where members of the public, as participants in services, programs, or activities, or as invitees, are allowed to go.

Smoking and/or the use of tobacco or tobacco substitute products is prohibited at any time within any enclosed facility owned or leased or contracted for by the Board, and in areas directly or indirectly under the control of the Board immediately adjacent to locations of ingress or egress to such facilities.

The Board is aware of the increasing desire of many parents and other members of an audience to make audio and/or video recordings of school events.

Such recordings can be made by parents or other members of the audience without restriction if the performance is not of copyrighted material and as long as the primary purpose of the recording is not for financial gain. However, if the performance is of copyrighted material, recording can be made if the appropriate license authorizing such recordings has been secured in advance by the District. If the performance is of copyrighted material and the necessary license has not been secured in advance by the District, the audience shall be advised before the performance begins that audio and/or video recordings that will be re-broadcast or distributed in any way, such as posting on the Internet, are prohibited.

It is the expectation of the Board that recordings made at public school events be used in a responsible manner. Such recordings should not be used in a way that is threatening, harmful, or intimidating to the person or persons in the recording or to the District as a whole.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to establish rules and procedures governing the use of nondistrict audio/visual recording equipment at any District-sponsored event or activity. Such rules are to be distributed in such a manner that members of the audience who wish to record the event are aware of the rules early enough to make proper arrangements to obtain their recordings without causing delay or disruption to an activity.

Any person or organization seeking to record students or a school activity which is not a public event shall obtain prior permission from the building principal or Superintendent.

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The Superintendent shall ensure that all notices, signs, schedules, and other communications about school events contain the following statement:

"Upon request to the Administrative Office, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in this activity."

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