

<b>Purpose Statement</b>	<p>Through its campuses, centers, and programs, the College District fulfills community and industry needs and its <u>primary</u> statutory <del>charge</del> <u>purposes under Section 130.003(e) of the Texas Education Code</u> by providing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Academic courses in the <del>arts and sciences core curriculum or a field of study curriculum</del> to transfer to <del>senior</del> <u>other higher education</u> institutions;</li><li>2. Programs leading to baccalaureate degrees, associate degrees, or certificates, including technical programs, designed to develop marketable skills and promote economic development;</li><li>3. Continuing adult education programs for academic, professional, occupational, and cultural enhancement;</li><li>4. Developmental education and literacy programs designed to improve the basic skills of students;</li><li>5. A program of student support services, including counseling and learning resources, designed to assist individuals in achieving their educational and career goals;</li><li>6. Workforce, economic, and community development initiatives designed to meet local and state needs; and</li><li>7. Other purposes as may be directed by the Board and/or the laws of the state of Texas.</li></ol>
<b>Mission Statement</b>	<p>The College District is a student- and community-centered institution committed to developing <u>valuable</u> skills, strengthening character, and challenging the intellect.</p>
<b>Vision Statement</b>	<p>Delivering a brighter future for our students and communities.</p>
<b>Statement of Ethics and Philosophy</b>	<p>It is the policy of the College District to apply the highest ethical standards to all members of the College District community including the Board, administration, staff, and faculty in achieving its mission and in managing its resources efficiently and effectively to reach its goals and objectives. The College District shall include a code of ethics for Board members, administration, staff, and faculty in its policy manual.</p> <p>The College District accepts its responsibilities to its students, to its employees, and to the members of the community. The College District is committed to meet these responsibilities with balance, fairness, accountability, and ethical integrity.</p>
<b>Core Values</b>	<p>The College District's philosophy and ethics are based on the following statement of core values:</p>

We have a passion for:

1. Learning;
2. Service and involvement;
3. Creativity and innovation;
4. Academic excellence;
5. Dignity and respect; and
6. Integrity.

## NEW POLICY

### Paid Administrative Leave and Suspension

The District President may place any employee on paid administrative leave at his or her the District President's discretion either:

1. Pending the investigation of a complaint or allegation of wrongdoing against the employee; or
2. When the District President determines such placement is in the best interest of the College and/or the employee.

### Unpaid Administrative Leave and Suspension

As a disciplinary measure, the District President may suspend an employee without pay after evidence of, or finding of, gross misconduct.

The District President may suspend a faculty member without pay after evidence of, or a finding of, gross misconduct, or after a complaint hearing has been requested by the faculty member and the scheduled hearing has been postponed at the request of the faculty member. In this case, the effective date of the suspension without pay will be from the date on which the hearing was scheduled.

If a finding of gross misconduct is ultimately overturned by the District President or designee, or, in the case of a faculty member, by the Board, then the unpaid suspension will be reversed, and suspended salary will be paid to the employee retroactive to the date the employee was placed on unpaid suspension.

Upon recommendation by the District President, tuition and fees ~~shall~~will be set annually by the Board and ~~shall~~will be published in the College catalog and other appropriate publications.

**Excessive Hours or Repeated Courses**

The Board will determine annually if the College District will charge a resident a higher tuition rate for excessive hours or repeated courses in accordance with law. If the Board adopts a higher rate, the Board will describe any applicable exemptions. The rates, exemptions, and required notice will be published in the College District catalog and other appropriate publications.

**Waivers**

The College ~~shall~~will publish in the College catalog and other appropriate publications:

1. The tuition and fee waivers the College is required by law to grant;
2. Any legally authorized tuition and fee waiver adopted by the Board;
3. Exemptions to higher tuition rates for nonfundable courses allowed by law; and
4. Exemptions to higher tuition rates for students demonstrating an economic hardship.

**Collection of Tuition and Fees**

The Board may adopt an installment payment plan in accordance with state law.

Installment  
Payments  
Collection  
Procedures

The District President is authorized to develop procedures for the collection of tuition and fees.

**Refund Policy**

The College ~~shall~~will refund tuition and fees for courses from which the students drop or withdraw in accordance with law and related provisions adopted by the Board and published in the College catalog and in any other appropriate College publication. Tuition and fees paid directly to the institution by a sponsor, donor, or scholarship ~~shall~~will be refunded to the source rather than directly to the student.

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**Note:** For expression and use of College District facilities and distribution of literature by students and registered student organizations, see FLA. For expression and use of College District facilities by employees and employee organizations, see DGC. For use of the College District's internal mail system, see CHE.

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**Use of College District Facilities**

The College District's facilities and property are intended primarily for the support of the instructional programs of the College District and for the support of programs conducted or sponsored by the College District's academic and administrative departments or organizations affiliated with those departments.

**Definitions**

As used within this policy, the terms "disrupt," "disruptive," "disturb," and "disturbances" are defined as activities or actions that cause disorder or turmoil in the College District's, classes, programs and services or that interfere with or interrupt planned activities, or other operations of the College District by noise or movement.

As used within this policy, the term "expressive activities" means any speech or expressive conduct protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution or by Section 8, Article I, Texas Constitution, and which includes assemblies, protests, speeches, the distribution of written material, the carrying of signs, and the circulation of petitions. The term does not include commercial speech such as advertisements for products or services.

As used within this policy, the term "amplified sound" means sound whose volume is increased by any electric, electronic, mechanical, or motor-powered means, such as by a megaphone. The use of a single microphone for a guest speaker, shouting, chanting, and playing acoustic musical instruments are exempt from this definition and are not subject to the special rules on amplified sound, but are subject to the general rules on disruption.

As used within this policy, the term "guest speaker" means an individual speaker or performer who is not a student, faculty member, employee, or Board member of the College District.

**Limited Public Forum and Public Assembly Use**

The buildings, classrooms, libraries, facilities, grounds, and property owned or controlled by the College District are not a traditional public forum open for assembly, debate, demonstrations, or similar activities by members of the general public, subject to some exceptions, and applicable state law concerning common outdoor areas. [See GD(LEGAL)]

**For-Profit Use**

The College District does not permit individuals or for-profit organizations to use its facilities for their own financial gain, including for marketing, promotional, course instruction, or other profit-generating activities. The College District does not permit private academic instruction, courses, or student recruitment by individuals or by for-profit organizations at its facilities. This does not exclude institutions of higher education or third-party organizations from participating in College District-approved or -sponsored transfer and recruitment fairs.

The College District does permit the rental of College District facilities for third-party corporate or employee training programs and educational testing, as well as for public meetings, performances, and presentations so long as no admission fee is charged, when these activities do not conflict with College District use or with this policy.

**Nonprofit Use**

The College District may permit ~~501(c)(3)~~ nonprofit organizations to rent space and host events on College District property when these activities do not conflict with College District use or with this policy.

**Private Use**

College District facilities are not available for use or for rental to individuals for private gatherings sponsored by private individuals.

**Fundraising Use**

Only civic, educational, and student organizations and individuals authorized by the College District are allowed to sponsor and engage in fundraising activities using College District facilities. All external requests must be submitted for approval to Conference Services.

**Campaign-Related Use**

The College District permits open forums and town hall events scheduled through Conference Services or hosted by the College District for elected officials and those who have filed to run for elected office, based on space availability and adherence to the College District's standard room reservation approval process. However, except to the extent a College District facility is used as an official polling place, College District facilities are not available for use by individuals or groups for political advertising, campaign communications, or electioneering, as those terms are used in state law. [See Election/Campaign Signs and Tents, below]

In accordance with the Texas Election Code, the following definitions will apply:

1. "Political Advertising" means a communication supporting or opposing a candidate for nomination or election to a public office or office of a political party, a political party, a public officer, or a measure that:

- a. In return for consideration, is published in a newspaper, magazine, or other periodical or is broadcast by radio or television; or
  - b. Appears:
    - (1) In a pamphlet, circular, flier, billboard or other sign, bumper sticker, or similar form of written communication; or
    - (2) On an internet website.
2. "Campaign communication" means a written or oral communication relating to a campaign for nomination or election to public office or office of a political party or to a campaign on a measure.
3. "Electioneering" includes the posting, using, or distributing political signs or literature:
- a. During the time an early voting polling place is open for the conduct of early voting, a person may not electioneer for or against any candidate, measure, or political party in or within 100 feet of an outside door through which a voter may enter the building or structure in which the early voting polling place is located.
  - b. The entity that owns or controls a public building being used as an early voting polling place may not, at any time during the early voting period, prohibit electioneering on the building's premises outside of the area described in 1.b, above, but may enact reasonable regulations concerning the time, place, and manner of electioneering.

The College District does not permit external individuals or groups to use College District facilities to access students, faculty, or staff for private purposes, including gathering signatures for petitions. Limited public forum areas are designated at each campus for this purpose. [See GD(LEGAL)]

**Recreational Use**

Approval from the Conference Services Department is required for use of the College District's indoor and outdoor recreational facilities, such as the gym, tennis courts, and the like when the facilities are not in use by the College District or for another scheduled purpose.

**Emergency Use**

In case of emergencies or disasters, the District President or designee may authorize the use of College District facilities by civil defense, health, or emergency service authorities.

**Expressive Activities  
in Common Outdoor  
Areas**

Community members may only engage in expressive activities in common outdoor areas (as defined in this policy) of the College District, as long as the conduct is not unlawful and does not materially and substantially disrupt the functioning and operations of the College District. Common outdoor areas are designated by state law as traditional public forums.

To preserve the functions and operations of the College District, expressive activities in common outdoor areas are subject to the time, place, and manner rules listed in this policy.

The “common outdoor areas” of the College District mean: (1) any outdoor space (such as streets, sidewalks, gathering spaces), (2) that is at least 7520 feet from any College District building or area of ingress or egress to buildings, including classrooms, entrance or window and (3) that is not used, on either a permanent or temporary basis, for the College District’s:

1. Business or operations;
2. Sponsored events;
3. Educational functions; or
4. Research functions.

Common outdoor areas do not include the buildings, classrooms, libraries, facilities, student housing or residential outdoor spaces managed by the College District, the outdoor surfaces of college buildings, the surfaces associated with or connected to a college building, a college structure, the spaces dedicated to temporary outdoor banners, the spaces dedicated to temporary outdoor exhibits, or any other space within the College District’s limited public forum.

**Requests for Use of  
Facilities**

To request permission to meet in College District facilities or limited public forums, interested community members or organizations will file a written application with the Conference Services Department in accordance with administrative procedures.

The community members or organization making the request will indicate that they have read and understand the policies and rules governing use of College District facilities and that they will abide by those rules. The application will be submitted at least ten business days prior to the proposed use but not more than four months prior to the proposed use for all spaces other than conference centers. Conference centers may be booked no more than 12 months in advance. Requests for exceptions to the timeline may be approved by the Conference Services Department. Use of College



District facilities may not commence until it is approved, in writing, by the Conference Services Department.

Requests for community use of College District facilities will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis. However, requests received on the same day will be prioritized as follows:

1. Classroom instruction and other official College District functions and programs;
2. Requests by recognized student organizations and employee organizations;
3. Activities sponsored by non-College District, nonprofit organizations that are open to the public; and
4. Authorized activities that do not fall within the above categories.

Organizations from within the College District's service area will be given priority over requests from organizations located outside the College District's service area.

Events that directly benefit the citizens of the College District will be given priority over events that specifically target larger groups or groups from outside the College District.

Programs offered through the facilities rental program [see items 3 and 4, above] will be made through a signed facilities use agreement between the College District and the renter. The College District name and its trademarked logo may not be used by the requestor or approved user. The College District's name is only authorized for use in marketing materials as it relates to providing the location and directional information for the event.

The College District reserves the right to modify these priorities without notice as deemed necessary to accomplish its objectives.

### **Approval**

The Conference Services Department will approve or reject the request in accordance with provisions of and deadlines set out in this policy and administrative procedures, without regard to the religious, political, philosophical, ideological, or academic viewpoint, or other content of the speech likely to be associated with use of the facility by community members or organizations. The request will be approved or denied in writing within ten business days of receiving the application.

Approval of requests for the use of facilities will not be based upon the applicant's race, religion, age, disability, color, sex, national origin, veteran status, or other legally protected class.

College District facilities will not be available for long-term use. Long-term use will be defined as use of the facility for more than five days per month or for more than three weekends per month. Facilities use requests will be considered for a time period not to exceed four calendar months, coinciding with the fall, spring, and summer College District semesters.

Failure to comply with the conditions outlined in this policy and the facilities use agreement may result in penalties, including but not limited to, restrictions on future rental of College District facilities and/or an additional damage/cleaning fee as provided for in the facilities use agreement. The amount should be included in the contract and/or in procedures.

Approval will not be granted when the Conference Services Department has reasonable grounds to believe that:

1. The College District facility requested is unavailable, inadequate, or inappropriate to accommodate the proposed use at the time requested;
2. The applicant is subject to a prior sanction [see Violations of Policy, below];
3. The proposed use would constitute an immediate and actual danger to the peace or security of the College District as determined by the College District, including the sole discretion of the District President or designee;
4. The applicant owes a monetary debt to the College District and the debt is considered delinquent;
5. The proposed activity would disrupt or disturb the regular academic program, other planned activities, or other operations of the College District;
6. The proposed use would result in damage to or defacement of property or the applicant has previously damaged College District property at an event;
7. The applicant failed to supply the requested information on the application;
8. The application contains a material misrepresentation of fact as determined at the sole discretion of the College District; or
9. The proposed use is not at a suitable location because the design or dimensions of the event will substantially interfere with pedestrian access, traffic flow, or public safety in or near the same area as the proposed event.

**Written Notice if  
Request Rejected**

The Associate Vice President of Financial Services and Reporting or designee will review any recommendations to deny the use of College District facilities to an external group and communicate with the requestor if a request to rent facilities is denied.

**Use of Common  
Outdoor Areas by  
Community  
Members**

A community member does not need a College District permit or reservation for the exercise of expressive activities in common outdoor areas. Expressive activity may occur in those common outdoor areas of the College District that are not in use by others. Community members may engage in expressive activities in common outdoor areas, unless:

1. The person's conduct is unlawful;
2. The use would constitute an immediate and actual danger to the peace or security of the College District that available law enforcement officials could not control with reasonable efforts;
3. The use would materially or substantially disrupt or disturb the regular academic program; or
4. The use would result in damage to or defacement of property.

However, community members may, and are encouraged to, reserve a space to assemble in the common outdoor areas of the College District. Once a person or group reserves a certain space in a common outdoor area for assembly or expressive activities, it is not available for another person's or group's use or reservation at the same time. Therefore, any person or group using or occupying the space without a reservation must yield control of the space in time to permit any user with a reservation to begin using the space promptly at the beginning of the reserved time.

In addition, when outdoor space is being used, even on a temporary basis, for College District business, operations, events, an educational function, or a research function, it is not part of the common outdoor area available for use for others' expressive activities.

Reservations for assembly or expressive activities in the common outdoor areas of the College District may be made through the Conference Services Department on a form prescribed by them or through a request sent to [reserveCOA@collin.edu](mailto:reserveCOA@collin.edu). If the expected attendance at an assembly or expressive activity is 15 or more people, advance notice and a reservation of no less than two weeks is recommended. Persons and organizations are encouraged to seek a reservation of a space that is suited to their assembly's anticipated size.

**Time, Place, and  
Manner Rules for  
Common Outdoor  
Areas**

In addition to the specific rules addressed in this policy for Required Conduct, Distribution of Literature, and Permissible Solicitation, the following rules will also apply to the use of common outdoor areas:

1. Expressive activities may not be disruptive.
2. Expressive activities may not include statements directed to inciting or producing imminent violations of law under circumstances such that the statements are likely to actually and imminently incite or produce violations of law, including but not limited to, violence or threats of violence.
3. Literature may be distributed, but not sold.
4. Any person who uses common outdoor areas or distributes literature or materials in common outdoor areas, is responsible for cleaning up any literature, materials, or other trash that was discarded or leftover.
5. Signs may not be larger than 24" x 24". Signs may be held or carried by hand. However, signs may not be attached to sticks, poles, wooden or metal handles, or other similar assembled items.
6. Signs constructed of rigid materials, including sticks, poles, wood, metal, hard plastic, or other materials that could be construed as a hazard are not permitted.
7. Any person holding or carrying a sign will exercise due care to avoid bumping, hitting, or injuring any other person.
8. Banners on poles may not be carried by individuals.
9. Hand-held banners carried by two or more individuals (without poles) are permitted in temporary banner spaces designated by the College District.
10. Tables may not be set up in common outdoor areas, unless it is requested by a student or student organization in advance through a request submitted to the Conference Services Department. Otherwise, community members may not set up any tables in common outdoor areas of the College District.
11. Amplified sound may not be used in common outdoor areas, particularly when it disrupts College District business, operations, meetings, events, an educational function, or a research function.
12. Guest speakers are allowed in common outdoor areas.

13. Guest speakers may not distribute literature that violates the rules in this policy.
14. Guest speakers may not accost bystanders or others who have chosen not to attend the speech or discussion.
15. Guest speakers may not set up exhibits or tables outside of the common outdoor areas or inside College District buildings or facilities.
16. For any assembly, with or without a guest speaker, that has an expected attendance of 15 or more participants (including counter-demonstrators), advance notice and a reservation are encouraged to help the Conference Services Department improve the safety and success of expressive activity.

If there is uncertainty about applicable rules, the appropriateness of the planned location, or possible conflict with other events, persons, and organizations are encouraged to consult the dean of students. Should the size of the assembly exceed the maximum number of participants that is safe for a given location, participants will be directed by campus authorities to relocate to a space that is better suited to the size of the assembly.

**Written Agreement  
Required for Use of  
Facilities**

Any community member or organization approved for use of College District facilities not related to the College District will be required to complete a written agreement indicating receipt and understanding of this policy and any applicable administrative regulations prior to a facilities use agreement being approved. This includes an acknowledgment that the College District is not liable for any personal injury or damages to personal property occurring during the use by the community member or organization.

**Fees for Use**

A community member or organization authorized to use College District facilities will be charged a fee for the use of designated facilities.

The Board delegates to the District President or designee the responsibility to establish and publish a schedule of fees based on the cost of the physical operation of the facilities, as well as any applicable personnel costs for supervision, custodial services, food services, security, media, and technology services. All fees must be paid in advance (or an authorized purchase order) in accordance with the College District's facilities use agreement.

Fees will not be charged when College District buildings are used for public meetings sponsored by state or local governmental agencies.

The Board delegates to the District President or designee the authority to waive the facility use rental fee if the requested use serves an appropriate College District or public purpose.

**On-Site Personnel**

When a College District facility is being used, an employee of the College District will be on the premises and will be fully in charge of the facility being used.

The College District's representative is responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of this policy during the event.

**Required Conduct**

Community members and organizations using College District facilities will:

1. Conduct business in an orderly manner;
2. Abide by all laws, policies, and procedures, including, but not limited to, those regulating the use, sale, or possession of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, tobacco products, and firearms on College District property, and the requirements in the facilities use agreement; [See CHF and GDA]
3. Make no alteration, temporary or permanent, to College District property without prior written consent from the District President or designee; and
4. Be responsible for the cost of repairing any damages incurred during use and will be required to indemnify the College District for the cost of any such repairs.

Additionally, community members and organizations using College District facilities (outside of common outdoor areas) may request table space for students to visit and learn about the table sponsor's activities and may distribute literature, subject to the reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions designated by the College District.

Distribution of literature not published by the College District and activities of the organizations and individuals using College District facilities will be conducted in a manner that:

1. Is not disruptive;
2. Does not impede reasonable access to College District facilities or deny the use of offices or other facilities to students, faculty, staff, or guests of the College District;
3. Does not interfere with the flow of pedestrians or vehicular traffic on sidewalks or streets or at places of ingress or egress to and from property, buildings, or facilities;

4. Does not threaten or endanger the safety of any person on College District premises;
5. Does not harass, badger, coerce, or intimidate another person or force material on an unwilling participant or accost or approach individuals not in the immediate vicinity of the assigned table space or use areas designated by the College District;
6. Does not involve conduct that is likely to result in damage to or destruction of property or cause disruption in utilities;
7. Does not create a sustained or repeated noise disturbance that substantially interferes with a speaker's ability to communicate with others and/or the rights of others to listen;
8. Does not attempt to prevent a College District event or other lawful assembly by the threat or use of force or violence;
9. Does not interfere with the rights of others as determined by the College District; and
10. Does not violate local, state, or federal laws or College District policies and procedures.

Location and placement of assigned tables and chairs will be made at the discretion of the Conference Services Department, based on availability, and the Conference Services Department will ensure that such external events do not interfere with the conduct of any student or College District event.

The consumption of food and beverages will be restricted in accordance with the facilities use agreement.

Groups or organizations using College District facilities will conform to all federal and state statutes, county and municipal ordinances, and fire regulations.

Decorations must be flame retardant and will be erected and taken down in a manner not destructive to College District property or facilities. The use of any material or device that constitutes a hazard to people, equipment, property, and/or facilities is expressly prohibited.

The renter is responsible for clean-up of the space and for clearing the area of discarded or leftover literature.

In addition to the rental fee for use of the facility, the renter will be billed for any cleanup expenses that may result if materials are not removed in a timely manner or if storage of renter-owned materials is required.

Events that include attendance of or participation by minors will require adult supervision by the sponsoring organization.

College District apparatus, furniture, or equipment will not be removed, altered, or displaced without permission from an authorized College District official. Renters are not authorized to bring in their own furniture or fixtures.

The renter is liable for the care and protection of College District property and/or facilities and will be charged for any damages sustained by the premises, furniture, or equipment because of the occupancy.

At the sole discretion of the Conference Services Department, rental agreements for use of any College District facility will be revoked when facilities are misused or when the foregoing rules are violated. Facilities use agreements may not be renewed when revoked for misuse.

The renter is responsible for any and all loss, accidents, neglect, injury, or damage to person, life, property, or facilities that may be the result of, or caused by, the renter's occupancy of the facilities or premises for which the College District might be held liable. The renter will protect and indemnify the College District, the Board, and any officer, agent, or employee of the College District and save them harmless in every way from all suits or actions at law for damage or injury to person, life, property, or facilities that may arise, or be occasioned in any way, because of the occupancy of the facilities or premises, regardless of responsibility or negligence.

The College District may require each renter to provide a valid certificate of insurance in a type and in an amount specified by the College District.

**Identification**

A community member or organization leasing campus facilities and/or distributing materials on campus will provide identification when requested to do so by a College District representative.

Any student who refuses to identify himself or herself fully may be subject to College District discipline, which may include suspension.

**Distribution of Literature**

Any written or printed materials, handbills, photographs, pictures, films, tapes, giveaways, handouts, or other visual or auditory materials not sponsored by the College District must comply with this policy. Such materials will not be sold, circulated, distributed, or posted on any College District facilities or common outdoor areas by any community member or organization, including a College District-support organization, except in accordance with this policy.



Approved individuals renting or using College District facilities may distribute handouts associated with the event to its members and guests.

The College District is not responsible for, nor does the College District endorse, the contents of any materials or literature distributed by a community member or organization.

[See CHE regarding use of the College District's internal mail system and FLA regarding distribution of literature by students and registered student organizations]

Materials or literature will not be distributed by a community member or organization on College District property if, in the sole discretion of the College District:

1. The materials are obscene;
2. The materials contain defamatory statements;
3. The materials advocate illegal conduct, imminent lawless or disruptive action and are likely to incite or produce such action;
4. The materials are considered prohibited harassment [see DIA series and FFD series];
5. The materials constitute unauthorized solicitation [see Solicitation Requirements, below]; or
6. The materials infringe upon intellectual property rights of the College District [see CT].

**Time, Place, and Manner Restrictions for Distribution of Literature**

A community member or organization that has been approved to rent a campus facility, has signed the required written facilities use agreement, and has paid any required fees may distribute literature to its members and guests during the time period covered by the written agreement and in the location covered in the written agreement.

**Permissible Solicitation**

As used in this policy, the word "solicitation" will mean the sale or offer for sale of any property or service, whether for immediate or future delivery, and the receipt of or request for any gift or contribution by an entity.

The only solicitation permitted in or on any property or facilities either owned or controlled by the College District will be in accordance with the following:

1. The sale or offer for sale of any food or drink item by authorized student organizations in an area designated in advance by the appropriate College District representative.

2. The collection of membership fees or dues by approved student organizations at meetings of such organizations scheduled in accordance with College District regulations on the use of facilities.
3. The collection of admission fees for the exhibition of movies or other programs scheduled in accordance with College District policies and procedures.

**Solicitation  
Requirements**

Such approved solicitation made pursuant to the terms of this policy must be conducted according to the following:

1. The solicitation will not disturb or interfere with the regular academic or institutional programs and activities being conducted in buildings or on property owned or controlled by the College District.
2. The solicitation will not interfere with the free or unimpeded flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic on sidewalks and streets and at places of ingress and egress to and from buildings owned or controlled by the College District.
3. The solicitation will not harass, embarrass, or intimidate the person or persons being solicited.
4. Violations will be addressed through the appropriate College District policy and may result in the organization being prohibited from further solicitation for a designated period of time.  
[See FKC(LOCAL)]

For the purposes of this policy, “sign” will be defined as a billboard, decal, notice, placard, poster, banner, or any kind of hand-held sign; “posting” will be defined as any means used for displaying a sign. Requirements for election signs are described below at Election/Campaign Signs and Tents.

No person or organization may post a sign that is obscene, incites illegal activity, is libelous, or contains nonpermissible solicitation.  
[See FI(LOCAL) or FKA(LOCAL)]

Except for nonpermissible signs, as defined herein, an entity may publicly post a sign on College District property or facilities only in designated areas or display a sign in common outdoor areas subject to the procedures in this policy. No object other than a sign may be posted on College District property or facilities.

Before publicly posting a sign, an entity will:

1. Submit the proposed sign to the student engagement office staff or a designated representative for review and consideration.

2. Provide pertinent information including the:
  - a. Name and phone number of the student, approved student organization, department, or community member, which must be included on all items to be posted;
  - b. Proposed general location for posting the sign; and
  - c. Length of time the sign will be posted.

Upon receipt, the student engagement office staff or designated representative will ensure that the pertinent information listed above is included and that the following guidelines are applied:

1. Approved items, with a maximum size of 24" x 24", will be posted neatly on appropriate bulletin boards by student engagement office personnel or a designated representative, subject to space availability.
2. Items will receive an approval stamp dated and signed by student engagement office personnel or a designated representative for each item to be posted.
3. Materials generally will be approved for a maximum period of four weeks.
4. Materials that do not conform to these posting procedures and guidelines will be subject to immediate removal.

A sign may not be:

1. Attached to:
  - a. A shrub or plant.
  - b. A College District vehicle.
  - c. A permanent sign installed for another purpose.
  - d. A fence or chain or its supporting structure.
  - e. A brick, concrete, or masonry structure.
  - f. A statue, monument, or similar structure.
2. Posted:
  - a. On or adjacent to a fire hydrant.
  - b. On or between a curb and sidewalk.
  - c. In a College District building or facility except on a bulletin board designated for that purpose.

The student engagement office staff or designated representative will remove all signs no later than one week after the expired approval stamp date. No person will remove a sign posted or attached in accordance with this section without permission from the student engagement office or designated representative.

**Nonpermissible Signs**

No entity will post or carry a sign that:

1. Involves nonpermissible solicitation;
2. Contains material that is obscene or libelous; or
3. Is larger than 24" x 24", unless authorized by the associate dean of student and enrollment services.

**Election / Campaign Signs and Tents**

Election campaign signs will be limited to five signs per candidate at each College District polling site, at a location designated by the appropriate campus vice president/provost, during the period of early voting and on Election Day when the campus is a voting site. Such signs will be limited to a size not to exceed 24" x 24" and must be either hand-held or staked into the ground. However, use of t-posts will not be allowed.

Signs placed outside of the designated location will be removed by the facilities/plant manager or designee and held for pick up in the plant facility for not longer than five days from removal. If not picked up within five days, the College District will dispose of the signs.

Issues-based campaign signs are limited to three signs per political action committee per issue, either supporting or opposing the issue.

Tents, awnings, and shelters will not be permitted on College District property. Amplified sound will not be permitted within 1,000 feet of the polling location.

All electioneering must comply with applicable election laws.

**Classroom Bulletin Boards**

Bulletin boards located both inside and directly outside each classroom will be under the jurisdiction of the appropriate vice president/provost or designated representative.

**Violations of Policy**

Failure to comply with the policy and procedures regarding community use of College District common outdoor areas, College District facilities, or distribution of literature will result in appropriate administrative action, including but not limited to, the suspension of the individual's or organization's use of College District facilities and the confiscation or discarding of nonconforming materials. Community members or off-campus organizations who violate the

rules in this policy may also be subject to criminal trespass charges or other lawful measures.

**Publication**

This policy and associated procedures must be posted on the College District's website and will also be distributed to students and employees. [See DGC and FLA]

**Alcohol and Drug Use Prohibited**

The use of alcohol and intoxicating beverages is prohibited in classroom buildings, laboratories, auditoriums, library buildings, faculty and administrative offices, intercollegiate and intramural athletic facilities, and all other public campus areas.

Any person who appears to be under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs will be denied access to and/or the use of College District property or facilities.

**Alcohol and Drug Use Exception**

With the prior consent and approval of the District President or designee, the provisions herein may be waived for specified culinary instructional programs or with respect to any specific event that is sponsored by the College District and/or the Collin College Foundation. State law will be strictly enforced at all times on all property or facilities controlled by the College District in regard to the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

**Children on Campus**

Unattended children will not be allowed in College District facilities at any time. For the purpose of this policy, children are defined as minors who are not currently enrolled in College District classes, meeting with College District personnel, or participating in approved programs with the College District.

Students may not bring children to orientations, classes, labs, testing centers, or other academic programs. The parent or guardian who violates this policy will be interrupted from his or her campus activity and be required to supervise the child or make other suitable arrangements.

College District employees are prohibited from bringing children to work other than for approved programs with the College District.

**Animals on Campus**

The College District will allow service animals to accompany a student or visitor on campus in accordance with Board policy. [See FAA]. All other animals will not be permitted on any College District campus or in any College District facility.