

### **PROPOSED REVISIONS 12.11.19**

For purposes of the Equal Access Act, the District has established a limited open forum for secondary school students enrolled in the District. Each District secondary school campus shall offer an opportunity for noncurriculum-related student groups to meet on school premises during noninstructional time.

The District has not established a limited public forum for elementary school students to meet as noncurriculum-related student groups on school premises during noninstructional time. [See GKD for community access]

#### **Sponsorship**

Noncurriculum-related student groups shall not be sponsored by the District and shall in no way imply to students or to the public that they are school-sponsored. All letterheads, flyers, posters, or other communications that identify the group shall contain a disclaimer of such sponsorship.

District personnel shall not promote, lead, or participate in the meetings of noncurriculum-related student groups.

[For student activities sponsored by the District and having subject matter and purposes directly related to the school's curriculum, see FM]

#### **Requests**

To receive permission to meet on school premises during noninstructional time, interested students shall file a written request with the campus principal on a form provided by the District.

The students making the request shall indicate that they have read and understand the policies and rules governing nonsponsored, noncurriculum-related student groups and that the group will abide by those rules.

#### **Approval**

The campus principal shall approve or reject the request within seven school days, subject to the availability of suitable meeting space and without regard to the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech likely to be associated with the group's meetings.

Approval to meet as a nonsponsored, noncurriculum-related group shall be granted for one school year at a time, subject to the provisions of this policy.

#### **Meetings**

The campus principal shall designate noninstructional time for meetings of nonsponsored, noncurriculum-related student groups and shall assign each approved group an appropriate location and time.

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Employee Monitor

The principal shall assign a District employee to attend and monitor each student group meeting. Monitors shall be present at meetings and activities in a nonparticipatory capacity to maintain order and protect school property.

No employee shall be required to monitor meetings at which the content of the speech would be objectionable to the employee.

Announcements and Publicity

All nonsponsored, noncurriculum-related student groups shall be given access on the same basis for making announcements and publicizing their meetings and activities, in accordance with guidelines developed by the campus principal.

[For distribution of nonschool materials, see FNAA]

Violations

Failure of a student group to comply with applicable rules may result in loss of the right to meet on school premises.

In addition, students who violate applicable rules are subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Appeals

Decisions made by the administration in accordance with this policy may be appealed in accordance with FNG(LOCAL).

~~Establishment of Limited Open Forum~~

~~For purposes of the Equal Access Act, the Board has created a limited open forum for students attending the District's secondary schools. District secondary schools shall offer an opportunity for noncurriculum-related student groups to meet on school premises during noninstructional time.~~

~~Each principal shall set aside noninstructional time before or after actual classroom instruction for meetings of noncurriculum-related student groups.~~

~~Students wishing to meet on school premises shall file a written request with the campus principal. The request shall contain a brief statement of the group's purposes and goals, a list of the group's members, and a schedule of its proposed meeting times. Requests shall be approved by the principal and Superintendent subject to availability of suitable meeting space and without regard to the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech likely to be associated with the group's meetings. Notices of meetings may be posted in a manner determined by the principal.~~

~~Staff Participation Prohibited~~

~~School personnel shall not promote, lead, or participate in the meetings of noncurriculum-related student groups. The principal may assign staff to monitor student meetings, as needed, and may establish reasonable written guidelines for the conduct of meetings to maintain order and discipline, protect the well-being of students and faculty, and ensure that student attendance is voluntary.~~

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<del>Violations</del>	<del>Failure of a noncurriculum-related student group to comply with applicable rules may result in loss of the right to meet on school premises. The principal shall report rule violations to the Superintendent.</del>
<del>Suspensions</del>	<del>Depending upon the seriousness of any rule violations, the Superintendent may suspend a noncurriculum-related student group's right to meet on school premises for the balance of the school year or some lesser time period.</del> <del>If a determination to suspend a group occurs during the last reporting period of the school year, the suspension may extend through the end of the first semester of the next school year. Suspensions or warnings imposed by the Superintendent may be appealed to the Board in accordance with FNG.</del>