

## **Student Distribution of Noncurricular Materials**

Students who wish to distribute noncurricular printed materials on school property or in conjunction with a school activity must notify the principal a minimum of one day in advance so that details may be worked out regarding the time, place and manner of distribution.

Students should produce an advance copy of the materials that will be distributed for the principal's review. Materials which are distributed on school grounds containing information prohibited by Board policy and/or materials that create a significant or substantial disruption, damage to persons or property, or threaten violence to property or persons in the judgment of school officials, may subject the responsible students to disciplinary action following distribution.

### **Appeal**

If the administration does not approve the materials for distribution, the principal or principal's designee shall provide a written explanation of why the materials were not approved under the policy accompanying this regulation.

The student may then appeal the decision as follows:

1. Within 10 school days of receiving the principal's or designee's decision, the student may file a written notice of appeal with the superintendent.
2. The superintendent shall make a written determination within 10 school days of receiving the student's appeal.
3. Within 10 school days of receiving the superintendent's decision, the student may submit a written appeal to the superintendent, requesting a hearing before the Board.
4. The superintendent shall schedule the hearing on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled Board meeting, which generally will be held within 30 days of the filing of a request for a hearing.

After providing the student with an opportunity to be heard, the Board shall render a decision, which shall be final.

The following restrictions apply to all requests to distribute more than 10 items or copies of noncurricular materials by students on school property or at a school-sponsored activity:

1. **Littering.** All distributed noncurricular materials discarded in school or on school grounds must be removed by the persons distributing such items.
2. **Manner.** No student may in any way be compelled or coerced to accept any noncurricular materials. In the alternative, no school official or student may interfere with materials distributed in accordance with this regulation and its accompanying policy.

Violation of any of this regulation and/or accompanying policy will be sufficient cause for denial of the privilege to distribute materials at future dates and may be cause for disciplinary action, including suspension and/or expulsion.

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