

COUNCIL ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: NONSCHOOL
ORGANIZATIONS/GROUPS/
INDIVIDUALS

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913. NONSCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS/GROUPS/INDIVIDUALS	
1. Purpose	Any requests to the Superintendent from nonschool organizations, groups or individuals seeking to have students participate in or be informed of the opportunity to participate in nonschool-sponsored activities, awards or scholarships shall be governed by this policy.
2. Definitions	<p>Nonschool organizations, groups or individuals (Nonschool Entities) - those entities that are not part of the school program, not school-sponsored activities, and/or not organized pursuant to the Pennsylvania School Code or Board policy. When District employees or Board members act on behalf of a nonschool entity, or on their own behalf, this policy applies to them. Students are governed by a separate Board policy regarding student expression and distribution and posting of materials.</p> <p>Nonschool materials - any printed or written materials or computer generated materials, prepared by Nonschool Entities for posting or general distribution which are not prepared as a part of the curricular or approved extracurricular programs of the District. This includes such things as fliers, invitations, announcements, pamphlets, posters, Internet bulletin boards, nonschool organization websites, emails, text messages and the like.</p> <p>Distribution - handing nonschool written materials to others on District property or during school-sponsored events; placing upon desks, tables, vehicles, on or in lockers; or engaging in any other manner of delivery of nonschool materials to others while on District property or during school functions. When email, text messaging or other technological delivery is used as a means of distributing or accessing nonschool materials via use of District equipment or while on District property or at school sponsored activities, that distribution or access shall be governed by this policy. <i>When Nonschool materials are distributed or accessed according to this policy, the District reserves the right to request that the Nonschool Entity place the following disclaimer on the Nonschool material(s):</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>This activity is not sponsored or endorsed by the Council Rock School District.</i></p> <p>Posting - publicly displaying nonschool materials on District property or at school or District-sponsored activities, including but not limited to affixing or displaying such materials to or on walls, doors, bulletin boards, monitors, easels, the outside of lockers,</p>

<p>3. Authority Pol. 707</p> <p>SC 510, 511</p> <p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>5. Guidelines</p>	<p>on District-sponsored websites, through other District-owned technology and the like.</p> <p>Prohibited activities and materials - activities and materials which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are libelous, defamatory, obscene, lewd, vulgar, or profane. 2. Violate federal, state or local laws. 3. Violate Board policy or District Administrative Regulations. 4. Advocate the use or advertise the availability of any substance or material that may reasonably be believed to constitute a direct and substantial danger to the health or welfare of others, such as tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs. 5. Incite violence. 6. Advocate use of force or urge violation of federal, state or municipal law, Board policy or District administrative regulations. 7. Interfere with or advocate interference with the rights of any individual or the orderly operation of the schools and their programs. <p>District facilities shall be used in accordance with the guidelines established in Board policy.</p> <p>The District prohibits the use of students and District employees for advertising or promoting Nonschool organizations, groups or individuals during instructional time or at school-sponsored locations or events, when being transported by District vehicles to and from school or a school event or when schools are otherwise not open to Nonschool organizations, groups or individuals.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for carrying out the provisions of this policy, unless otherwise specifically noted in this policy.</p> <p><u>Nonschool Activities/Materials</u></p> <p>Social and educational value may be derived from student participation in various activities sponsored by Nonschool Entities, but unreasonable demands on the time and energies of students and staff by such entities during school hours, or at school or District-sponsored activities shall be prevented.</p> <p>Information in the form of flyers or otherwise that meet the terms of this Policy may be distributed through the District's efriday folder system, subject to prior approval by the Superintendent or his/her designee.</p>
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Activities sponsored by Nonschool Entities may not occur during instructional time or school or District sponsored activities.

A review of any activity or nonschool material under this policy shall not discriminate on the basis of content or viewpoint, except that prohibited activities or materials will be rejected, as will any activity or material that does not comply with Board policy, administrative regulations, or written announcements relating to the proposed nonschool-sponsored activity or materials.

Directory Information

Directory information regarding students or staff may only be released in accordance with law and Board policy. Directory information for students or staff members will not be released to nonschool organizations, groups or individuals that seek this information for the purpose of fundraising.

Scholarships/Awards

The Board is appreciative of the generosity of organizations that offer scholarships or awards through awards ceremonies sponsored by the Council Rock School District to deserving students; but, in accepting such offers, the following guidelines will be observed.

1. No information, either academic or personal, shall be released from a student's record for the purpose of selecting a scholarship or award winner without the permission of the student who is eighteen (18), or the parents/guardians of a student who is younger, in accordance with the Board's policy on student records.
2. The scholarship or award, and any pertinent restrictions, shall be approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
3. A Building Administrator, together with a committee of staff members, shall be involved in the selection of the recipient of an award or scholarship consistent with the restrictions applicable to each approved scholarship or award.

References:

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 511, 775, 779

Board Policy – 218.4, 707

NOTE: When a *student* requests to personally distribute or post materials or originates other activities described in this policy, Board Policy 218.4 on Student Expression/Distribution And Posting Of Materials will be used to regulate district decisions and actions.