

## **Community Relations**

### **Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities**

Schools are intended to accomplish the educational mission of the Board of Education and thus, are not public forums for unlimited use by either students or non-students. Accordingly, in light of the special characteristics of the school, the maturity level of the students, and the requirement that the students attend school, the schools are intended to be closed to the distribution of written or electronic materials to the students or to students' homes by students or non students except as follows:

Units of federal, State and local government and school related organizations may distribute pieces of written material or electronic communication whenever the Superintendent or designee determines that such distribution will directly promote the health, safety and welfare of the students or if it is directly related to the school's curriculum or school sponsored activities.

Distribution of written or electronic materials under this policy if approved shall be at reasonable times and locations and shall be made in a reasonable manner as determined by the administration of each school building.

LEGAL REF.: Berger v. Rensselaer Central School Corp., 982 F.2d 1160 (7th Cir. 1993), *cert. denied*, 113 S.Ct. 2344 (1993).  
DiLoreto v. Downey Unified School Dist., 196 F.3d 958 (9th Cir. 1999).  
Hedges v. Wauconda Community Unit School Dist., No. 118, 9 F.3d 1295 (7th Cir. 1993).  
Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School Dist., 508 U.S.384 (1993).  
Sherman v. Community Consolidated School Dist. 21, 8 F.3d 1160, *cert. denied*.  
Victory Through Jesus Sports Ministry v. Lee's Summit R-7 Sch. Dist., 640 F.3d 329 (8<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2011), *cert denied*, 565 U.S. 1036 (2011).

CROSS REF.: 7:325 (Student Fund-Raising Activities)

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