STUDENT PUBLICATIONS AND POSTINGS

I. BACKGROUND and/or LEGAL REFERENCE

TASB Policy Manual, FK, Student Activities, 3-7-94; FKA, Student Activities: Student Publications, 7-1-82.

II. POLICY

A. Petitions, Handbills, and Literature

1. Each petition, handbill, or piece of literature shall identify the person or organization distributing it.

2. No person or organization may publicly distribute on District property one or more petitions, handbills, or pieces of literature that are obscene or libelous, or that contain non-permissible solicitation. Distribution must be conducted so as not to interfere with free and unimpeded flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic or to disturb or interfere with academic or institutional activities.

3. No person or organization may distribute literature by accosting individuals, or by hawking or shouting. The distributor must clean the area around which the literature was distributed.

B. Signs

(For the purposes of this policy, "sign" shall be defined as billboard, decal, notice, placard, poster, banner, or any kind of hand-held sign; and "posting" shall be defined as any means used for displaying a sign.)

1. Except for non-permissible signs, as defined herein, a student or registered student organization may publicly post an approved sign on District property in areas or locations designated by the Vice-President of Student Services. No object other than a sign may be posted on District property.

2. Before publicly posting a sign, a student or registered student organization must:

   a. Deposit in the Office of Student Services a copy, photograph, or description of the sign to be posted.

   b. Obtain approval from the Office of Student Services for all items to be posted. All posted items will be stamped with an approval mark by the Office of Student Services which includes the length of time the item can be posted. Posted Items should include:

      i. The name of the student organization or the organization responsible for the item.

      ii. The proposed general location for posting the sign.

3. A sign may not be:

   a. Attached to:

      i. A shrub or plant.

      ii. A tree, except by string to its trunk.

      iii. A permanent sign installed for another purpose.
iv. A fence or chain or its supporting structure.

v. A brick, concrete, or masonry structure.

vi. An interior wall of a building or glass entrance door

vii. A statue, monument, or similar structure.

b. Posted:

i. On or adjacent to a fire hydrant.

ii. On or between a curb and sidewalk.

4. A student organization, individual student or organization shall remove each of its signs not later than fourteen days after posting or attaching or, if it relates to an event, not longer than 24 hours after the event to which it relates has ended. At time of removal, the student organization, individual student or organization shall clean the area around which the sign was posted.

5. No person may remove a sign posted or attached in accordance with this section without permission from the Office of Student Services, the student, or the registered student organization.

C. Non-permissible Signs

No individual student, registered student organization or organization may post or carry a sign that:

1. Involve non-permissible solicitation.

2. Contains material that is obscene or libelous.

3. Is larger than 22 inches by 28 inches, unless authorized by the Office of Student Services.

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