

INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The board recognizes that students, employees, parents or citizens may want to distribute or display materials within the school district that are noncurricular. The Board of Education recognizes that effective communication is a part of making parents aware of opportunities that exist for their children.

The following organization shall be permitted to distribute printed informational materials and announcement directly to students through a bi-monthly take home folder or displayed in areas designated by the building administrator:

- Federal, state or local governmental entities;
- National, state and local PTAs;
- Booster groups or parent organizations directly affiliated with a Clinton Community School District co-curricular activity.

Community organizations or businesses may be permitted to display Superintendent's office approved printed informational materials and announcements during, back-to-school events, and parent-teacher conferences on tables designated by the building administrator.

Anyone wishing to distribute unofficial written material must first submit for approval a copy of the material to the Superintendent of Schools along with the following information:

1. Name of the organization submitting the request;
2. Name and phone number of a contact person within the organization;
3. Date(s) or day of the desired display or distribution;
4. School(s) at which the material will be displayed or distributed;
5. The grade(s) of students to whom the display or distribution is intended.

Classroom Presentations:

The decision on whether a classroom presentation for the purpose of recruiting students into a school activity will be made by the building administrator provided the activity is part of the school curriculum or is school-sponsored. School sponsored activities would include band, choir, orchestra, student council, drama, extra-curricular sports, and school sponsored clubs.

Legal Reference: U.S. Const. amend. I.
Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier, 484 U.S. 260 (1988).
Bethel School District v. Fraser, 478 U.S. 675 (1986).
New Jersey v. T.L.O., 469 U.S. 325 (1985).
Tinker v. Des Moines Ind. Comm. Sch. Dist., 393 U.S. 503 (1969).
Bystrom v. Fridley High School, 822 F.2d 747 (8th Cir. 1987).
Iowa Code §§ 279.8; 280.22 (2009).

Cross References: 502.5 Freedom of Expression
503.1 Student Conduct
504 Student Activities
603.9 Academic Freedom

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