

Student Petitions and Demonstrations

Students may participate in petitions and demonstrations in a manner consistent with First Amendment speech principles and consistent with the following regulations that shall govern all such activities.

1. School Administration may restrict or prohibit student organization and participation in petition or demonstration related activities that (i) interfere with or cause disruption to instruction, learning or school directed activities; (ii) pose a risk of harm to students or staff or that cause reasonable apprehension of such harm; (iii) may result in the harassment and intimidation of students and/or staff; or (iv) are otherwise reasonable restrictions consistent with First Amendment jurisprudence and principles.
2. Any student who wishes to initiate a petition or demonstration must notify the principal (or designee) of the school at least twenty-four hours in advance of initiating a petition or demonstration.
3. The principal will evaluate the request and approve the time and place of the petition activities or demonstration that ensures such activities are consistent with the criteria identified in paragraph 1 above.
4. Any student participating in petition or demonstration activity must exhibit conduct at all times that adheres to the Student Code of Conduct.
5. The principal will provide a student petitioner with a time and space in the school to set-up and occupy a petition table in a manner that ensures such activities are consistent with the criteria identified in paragraph 1 above.
6. The petitioner may advertise the opportunity to sign the petition by creating a sign to be displayed on or near the petition table. The sign may be no larger than a 3 x 5 poster.

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