

JHC Student Organizations

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Students may form clubs and other groups organized to promote or pursue specialized activities outside the regular classroom. Membership in student organizations, whether school sponsored or non-school sponsored, must be open to all interested and eligible students. The building principal and the board shall approve school sponsored student organizations, and a staff member shall attend the meetings or activities or supervise use of the facilities by all student organizations as an advisor or supervisor.

Student Clubs

The administrator shall establish regulations for the operation of school sponsored clubs, and for the use of school facilities by non-school-sponsored clubs.

School sponsored clubs shall be under the direct control of school personnel. Every school sponsored club shall have a constitution which has been approved by the building principal on file in the school office. To the extent that non-curriculum related school sponsored clubs are allowed to meet on school facilities during non-instructional time, non-school sponsored student clubs may also meet on school facilities.

Non-School Sponsored Student Clubs

Non-school sponsored clubs shall submit a request for use of school facilities to the administrator prior to using the facilities. A faculty member (or other adult approved in advance by the board) shall attend the meetings as a supervisor but shall not participate in the group's activities.

Student Government

Student councils under the direct control of the building principal or designated faculty representative may be established. Student councils may exercise only the authority expressly delegated to them by the building principal.

Student Publications

School-sponsored student publications shall be under the supervision of the building principal or designated faculty representative.

Students who have facts and opinions should be allowed to express them in print as well as through oral communications. However, student editors and writers must observe the same legal responsibilities as those imposed upon conventional newspapers and communication media. No student shall distribute any school publication which:

Is obscene according to current legal definitions;

Is libelous according to current legal definitions; or

Creates a material or substantial disruption of normal school activity or appropriate discipline in the operation of the school.

Student publications which are not libelous, disruptive or obscene may be distributed on school property during school hours at times and in areas designated by the building principal. Distribution in violation of this policy may result in suspension, expulsion or other discipline of the students involved.

If a decision to disapprove distribution of a publication is made, the principal shall state reasons for the decision to the student(s).

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If the student is dissatisfied with the principal's decision, the student may appeal the decision to the superintendent.

Advertisements

Ads concerning drug paraphernalia, any controlled substances, or any illegal activity are prohibited in school sponsored publications.

Non-School Sponsored Student Publications

Non-school sponsored student publications may be distributed on school property at times and in areas designated by the building principal. Distribution of any non-school sponsored publication may be halted if the material is obscene or libelous, or creates a material or substantial disruption of normal school activity or appropriate discipline in the operation of the school. Distribution in violation of this policy may result in suspension, expulsion or other discipline of the students involved.

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