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STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS

1 In today's world of increasing news emphasis on education, the people, through the
2 communications media, have become more aware of public education and more interested in it. A
3 good relationship with the communications media is necessary if the story of the schools is to be
4 told successfully.
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6 The participation of students in interpreting the education program of the schools to the community
7 shall be encouraged, with the understanding that:
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- 10 1. Students shall not be exploited for the benefit of any individual or
11 group.
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- 13 2. Students shall participate only in appropriate situations.
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- 15 3. The use of a student shall always be evaluated in terms of the
16 effect on the child.
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- 18 4. Students shall not solicit or promote district issues without
19 approval of the Board of Education.
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- 21 5. The best possible community relations grow from a superior
22 teaching job in the classroom. Enthusiastic students with serious
23 intentions, well directed by sympathetic and capable teachers,
24 are certain to communicate with the parents and the community.
25 The Board believes this is the cornerstone of good community
26 relations.
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30 Although cognizant of the values, both social and scholastic, derived by pupils participating in
31 various community sponsored activities, the following points should be used by Principals in
32 determining whether or not pupils may participate in such activities during school hours.
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- 34 1. The participation in the project will not deprive students of time
35 needed in acquiring basic skills.
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- 37 2. The regular schedule will not be interrupted unless the majority
38 of the students benefit through their participation.
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- 40 3. Neither an individual nor the school as a whole shall be permitted
41 to use school time in working on community sponsored projects
42 unless such an undertaking is contributing to the educational
43 program.
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