

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION/MATERIALS

1. The school division shall limit the distribution of information/materials from outside groups to reduce the distractions from instruction.
2. Only parent-teacher organizations, booster clubs supporting school-sponsored student activities, and non-school governmental organizations may request permission to have materials distributed by school employees.
3. The request for permission must be made to the school principal and approval received prior to any materials being distributed.
4. The principal shall determine the time and method of distribution of materials.
5. If the principal does not approve the distribution of materials, the PTO or booster club may appeal to the Superintendent or designee for distribution.
6. The decision of the Superintendent or designee shall be final.
7. Non-school governmental organizations must apply to the Superintendent or his/her designee for approval of distribution of information. Non-school organizations may be required to provide additional information with the request to clarify the need to distribute the materials with students.
8. No student shall be required to receive any information that is contradictory to personal or family beliefs or is of a political nature.

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Legal References: U.S. Constitution amend. I.

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Maryland, Inc. v. Montgomery County Public Schools, 457 F.3d 376 (4th Cir. 2006).

Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, sections 22.1-70, 22.1-78, 22.1-79.3, 22.1-131, and 22.1-293(B-D).