

Board Policy Document

STUDENT PERSONNEL

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**Policy Title: School-Sponsored Events/Public Conduct on
School Premises**

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Any school-sponsored event open to the public shall be approved by the Principal and shall be under the supervision of assigned school personnel. Approval to sponsor any event on District property shall be secured from the Principal or his/her designee of the building involved, and placed on the school calendar before any public announcement is made.

School-sponsored activities programs are an important part of the school program and are provided for the enjoyment and opportunity for the involvement they afford the students. Spectators are welcome to attend public events as guests.

Public attendance should heighten students' opportunities and should be encouraged, but this is premised on an expectation that members of the public will display mature behavior and good sportsmanship, comply with the Board's policies and obey the instructions of District employees or agents.

The school shall make every effort to have a responsible supervisor on the premises in addition to any coach. Spectators will not be allowed to substantially interfere with or materially disrupt the enjoyment of the participating students, or other spectators, or the performance of District employees, agents or officials supervising the school-sponsored or school-approved activity.

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The following behaviors substantially disrupt and materially interfere with District-sponsored and/or District approved activities, and will not be tolerated:

- Conduct or speech that is directed in an abusive or unsportsmanlike way at participants, officials, sponsors, or other spectators.
- The use of vulgar or obscene expressions or actions of any kind.

Any spectator displaying such behavior may be requested to leave the event by a District employee or agent whose duty it is to supervise the use of the property, or by a law enforcement officer.

The Board or Superintendent or Acting Superintendent may issue a no-trespass notice to any spectator who has violated this policy, informing them that they may not enter or come onto a District-owned property. This notice shall advise the spectator of the District's right to exclude the individual from District property and shall advise the spectator of the duration of the exclusion. If the spectator disobeys the Board's notice without justification, law enforcement officers may be contacted and asked to remove the spectator.

Nothing in this policy shall restrict the Board, its employees or agents, from seeking at any time other legal remedies available to property owners under city, state and federal laws and regulations.

Nothing in this policy shall be construed to limit the authority of the school, its agents or employees, to maintain order and discipline on school premises and to protect the well being of students and staff, the public and school property.

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