

Student Organizations

Student organizations will be encouraged when they meet the criteria of contributing to learning. Such organizations will operate within the framework of the law, Board policy, administrative rules and the parameters of the learning program. When such organizations contribute to the learning environment, their establishment and operation will be facilitated by district staff and through the use of district resources.

The principal will develop general guidelines for student organizations consistent with district policies and procedures. Among other provisions, such guidelines will require the assignment of at least one faculty advisor to each student organization.

Voluntary student-organized clubs not directly related to the instructional program may meet on school premises during noninstructional time pursuant to the provisions of the Equal Access Act and to the terms of this policy.

Equal Access

Voluntary student groups not directly related to the instructional program may meet in the school building during noninstructional time under the following conditions:

1. The meeting is voluntary and student initiated;
2. No outside school person can be in regular attendance, control or direct activities of the organization; and that person must schedule his/her appearance in the building with the principal;
3. Student groups must request the use of a specific classroom on a Building Use Form.

Student groups, with the specific approval of the principal, may use bulletin boards or the daily bulletin for announcements regarding specific youth groups.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 339.880](#)
[ORS 339.885](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050](#)
[OAR 581-021-0055](#)

Equal Access Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 4071-4074 (2006).

Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Unified Sch. Dist., 508 U.S. 384 (1993).

Westside Cmty. Bd. of Educ. v. Mergens, 496 U.S. 226 (1990).

Cross Reference(s):

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