

Medford School District 549C

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Media Access to Students

The Board recognizes the important role the media serves in reporting information about the district's programs, services and activities. Therefore, the district will make every reasonable effort to provide media access to students.

School administrators shall be authorized to grant permission and set parameters for media access to students in their respective schools. The media may interview and photograph students involved in instructional programs and school activities including athletic events. Such media access shall not be unduly disruptive and shall comply with Board policies and district goals.

Media representatives shall be required to report to the administration for prior approval before accessing students involved in instructional programs and activities not attended by the general public.

Information obtained by media representatives directly from students does not require parental approval prior to publication by the media. Parents who do not want their student interviewed or photographed by the media may direct their student accordingly.

District employees may release student information to the media only in accordance with applicable provisions of the education records law and Board policies governing directory information and personally identifiable information.

Parents will be advised of the district's media access to students' policy each fall in the student/parent handbook.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 30.864](#)
[ORS 107.154](#)
[ORS 326.565](#)

[ORS 326.575](#)

[OAR 581-021-0210 to -0440](#)
[OAR 581-022-1660](#)

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 - 1427 (2006).
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2011); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2011).

Cross Reference(s):

JOA - Directory Information
JOB - Personally Identifiable Information