

Myrtle Point School District 41

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Studying Controversial Issues

The Board supports teaching about controversial issues in the schools. The presentation and discussion of controversial issues will be on an informative basis. The ability to meet issues without prejudice and to withhold judgments while facts are being collected, assembled, weighed, and relationships seen before drawing inferences or conclusions, is among the most valuable outcomes of a free educational system.

Teachers will present both sides of controversial issues and will guard against giving their personal opinions until students have had an opportunity:

1. To find, collect and assemble factual material on the subject;
2. To interpret the data without prejudice;
3. To consider assumptions and claims and to reach their own conclusions.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 336.067](#)

[OAR 581-022-1020](#)

[OAR 581-022-1910](#)

U.S. CONST. amend. I.

OR. CONST., art. I.