

Secret Societies - Gangs

Gangs which initiate, advocate or promote activities which threaten the safety or well-being of persons or property on district grounds or which disrupt the school environment are harmful to the educational process.

"Gangs" are defined as a group that identifies itself through the use of a name, unique appearance or language, including hand signs, the claiming of geographical territory or the espousing of a distinctive belief system that frequently results in criminal activity.

The district shall, after consulting with appropriate agencies and officials, develop a comprehensive gang prevention and intervention program.

The program shall include an assessment and the impact of gang-related activities in the district, strategies, methods and training for the reduction of gang involvement.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 336.109](#)

[ORS 339.240 - 339.280](#)

[ORS 339.885](#)

[ORS 659.850](#)

[OAR 581-021-0050 to -0075](#)

Olesen v. Board of Educ. of Sch. Dist., 676 F. Supp. 820 (N.D. Ill. 1987).

Neuhaus v. Federico, 12 Or. App. 314 (1973).

Burkitt v. Sch. Dist. No. 1, 195 Or. 471 (1952).

Tinker v. Des Moines Community Sch. District, 393 U.S. 503 (1969).