

**South Umpqua
School District 19**

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Community Resource Persons

One goal of education is to prepare students to live and participate constructively in a democratic society, a society in which many differing opinions are held and differing causes espoused. It is important that students develop an understanding of divergent ideas. It is important that they develop judgment, a capacity to discern the difference between fact and opinion, to weigh arguments, slogans and appeals. It is sometimes useful to invite appropriate individuals, not on the district staff, to speak to or meet with groups of students as part of the educational process.

In allowing this interchange from the community, the Board established the following expectations:

1. The teacher/sponsor and school building administrator are expected to exercise judgment and to investigate fully those resource people about whom questions may arise;
2. The speaker is to provide a written synopsis or outline of material to be covered to the teacher/sponsor prior to its presentation;
3. The principal shall review said material if requested by the teacher/sponsor;
4. An appropriate record will be made of each resource the individual used and of his/her presentation;
5. The ideas presented and the individual invited to present them shall have demonstrable relation to the curricular or cocurricular activity in which the participating students are involved;
6. The teacher/sponsor responsible for inviting the resource individual, or any member of the school administration, has the right and duty to interrupt or suspend any proceedings if the conduct of the resource individual(s) is judged to be in poor taste or endangering the health and safety of students and staff.

Examples of inappropriate conduct are:

- a. Profanity, vulgarity and lewd comments;
- b. Smoking or drinking alcoholic beverages while speaking or consulting with students or when providing entertainment.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

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

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

Cross Reference(s):

INB - Studying Controversial Issues