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USE OF STUDENTS IN PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM

One of the strongest links of communication between the District and the public is the pupil in the classroom. Failure to provide parents and guardians with appropriate information may lead to misinformation about the schools.

It is the responsibility of the school administration to ensure that information about school activities, programs, and organizations is properly disseminated to parents and guardians.

The school administration shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the use of students as couriers is limited to carrying information about the school system, or a particular school, except as specifically provided in the following paragraph. School information may include publications, newsletters, notices, or other printed matter published under the name of the District, the individual school, or the recognized parent/teacher group.

Students may serve as couriers for information generated by non-school organizations, subject to the following conditions: (1) the sponsor of the information/activity is a non-profit organization and the activity is student-related, (2) the distribution of such information is subject to prior approval by the Principal, and (3) either the School Board or the Superintendent may review any request for distribution of such information, on a case-by-case basis.

Information published by the District, individual schools, employee organizations or unions, recognized parent/teacher groups, or non-school groups that advocates a particular position on bond issues, political matters, labor relations issues, or District budgets will not be distributed through the use of students as couriers.