Lakeland Joint School District No. 272

PERSONNEL 5300

Political Activity - Staff Participation

The Board recognizes its individual employees' rights of citizenship, including, but not limited to, engaging in political activities. An employee of the District may seek an elective office, provided that the staff member does not campaign on school property during working hours, and provided all other legal requirements are met. The District assumes no obligation beyond making such opportunities available.

No person may attempt to coerce, command or require a public employee to support or oppose any political committee, the nomination or election of any person to public office, or the passage of a ballot issue.

No district employee may solicit support for, or opposition to, any political committee, the nomination or election of any person to public office, or the passage of a ballot issue while on the job or at his place of employment. However, nothing in this section is intended to restrict the right of a District employee to express his personal political views.

No district employee may use public facilities or equipment purchased with public funds for election or political campaigns or ballot issues.

Legal Reference: 5 USC 7321, et seq. Hatch Act

Idaho Constitution Article III, Section 1 Idaho Attorney General Opinion No. 95-07

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