

RELATIONS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The education of Alexandria’s young people is a shared responsibility of families, schools and the community. By recognizing the role of the community in its schools, the Alexandria City Public Schools may expand the support it provides to students and their families. By nurturing welcoming environments at school facilities, the Division can foster pride in the schools and help make them centers of civic activity. Community engagement, including outreach to the business community, can expand the number of partnerships that provide services to schools, including tutoring, internships and jobs, as well as other opportunities for students.

ACPS may collaborate with nonprofit and nonpartisan agencies in promoting the general public interest and the educational welfare of the students. Where appropriate, ACPS shall help promote services that are beneficial to staff, students and their families. When appropriate, school officials will provide information to parents or guardians about school and community resources and services.

ACPS will distribute flyers and material endorsed by the Office of Communications that come from the City of Alexandria, the school division, or official ACPS partners.

ACPS will provide access to school property for distribution of materials by patriotic organizations as defined under federal law and as listed in Regulation KG-R; and youth groups as designated by the Code of Virginia. Any such access provided during the school day shall not conflict with instructional time. Such access may also include after-school sponsored activities such as “Back to School” events, where it can be reasonably accommodated.

ACPS will also allow distribution of materials from official City partners and nonprofit organizations who promote the general public interest and the educational welfare of the students. All material must be approved through the Office of Communications prior to distribution in accordance with Regulation KF-R.

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Legal Refs.: 36 U.S.C. Subtitle II, Part B
Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, sections [22.1-70](#), 22.1-131, [22.178](#), [22.1-253.13:7](#)
Virginia Acts of Assembly, [Chapter 647](#) (effective 7/1/16)

Cross Refs.: KF Distribution of Information/Materials
KF-R Regulations for Distribution of Information/Materials in Schools
KG Community Use of School Facilities
KG-R Community Use of School Facilities Regulation and Application