LENAPE TECHNICAL SCHOOL

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: NONSCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS/GROUPS/ INDIVIDUALS

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913.1 NONSCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS/GROUPS/INDIVIDUALS

NOTE: It is important to distinguish that Policy 913.1 only applies to requests from nonschool organizations, groups and individuals; in contrast, ***requests from students*** to personally distribute or post materials ***shall be governed by Policy 220. Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials***

1. Purpose

The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that non-school organizations, groups and individuals may wish to utilize the school as a means to engage the school community in activities and/or to distribute or post non-school materials. The Joint Operating Committee directs that requests for such utilization from non-school organizations, groups or individuals shall be governed by this policy.

Activities or school-related information and materials from non-school organizations, groups and individuals that are integrated with or presented as a part of the school's curriculum or an approved school event or student organization are approved and governed by Joint Operating Committee policies related to curriculum and student activities, and are not governed by this policy.

2. Authority

The Joint Operating Committee recognizes that the school community may benefit from receiving information from non-school organizations, groups and individuals, provided the distribution and posting of such information does not interfere with the educational program of the school. The school's primary responsibility shall be to maintain a safe and orderly school environment and to protect the rights of students.

The Joint Operating Committee prohibits advertisement or promotion by non-school organizations, groups or individuals during instructional time.

The Joint Operating Committee prohibits advertisement or promotion by non-school organizations, groups or individuals at school-sponsored locations or activities not otherwise open to non-school organizations, groups or individuals.

The Joint Operating Committee directs that the review and consideration of any activities or non-school materials requested under this policy shall not discriminate on the basis of content or viewpoint.

3. Definitions

Non-school organizations, groups or individuals shall mean those entities that are not part of the school program, school-sponsored activities, or organized pursuant to the Pennsylvania School Code or Joint Operating Committee policy. When employees or Joint Operating Committee members act on behalf of a non-school

	organization or group, or on their own behalf, this policy applies to them. Students are governed by a separate and distinct Joint Operating Committee policy regarding student expression and distribution and posting of materials. **Non-school materials** shall mean any printed, technological or written materials prepared by non-school organizations, groups or individuals for posting or general distribution that are not prepared as a part of the curricular or approved extracurricular programs of the school, including but not limited to, fliers, invitations, announcements, pamphlets, posters, Internet bulletin boards, non-school organization websites and the like. **Distribution** shall mean issuing non-school materials to others on school property or during school-sponsored events; placing upon desks, tables, on or in lockers; or engaging in any other manner of delivery (except posting as below defined) of non-school materials to others while on school property or during school functions. **Posting** shall mean publicly displaying non-school materials on school property or at school-sponsored events including but not limited to affixing such materials to walls, doors, bulletin boards, easels, through other school-owned technology and the like. Posting, however, is not permitted on school-sponsored websites or the outside of lockers. **Prohibited activities and materials** shall mean activities and materials that: 1. Violate federal, state or local laws, Joint Operating Committee policy or school rules and regulations. 2. Are libelous, defamatory, obscene, lewd, vulgar or profane 3. Advocate the use or advertise the availability of any substance or material that may reasonably be believed to constitute a direct and serious danger to the health or welfare of students, such as tobacco/nicotine, alcohol or illegal drugs. 4. Incite violence, advocate use of force or threaten serious harm to the school or community. 5. Are likely to or do materially or substantially interfere with the educational process, such as school activities, schoolwork, or discipline, as well as safety and order on school property or at school functions. 6. Interfere with, or advocate interference with, the rights of any individual or the safe and orderly operation of the school and school programs. 7. Violate written school administrative regulations or procedures on time, place and manner for posting and distribution of otherwise protected expression.
4. Delegation of Responsibility	The Administrative Director or appropriate personnel designated by the Administrative Director shall develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.

5. Guidelines	Non-school Materials The Joint Operating Committee requires that non-school organizations, groups or individuals who wish to distribute or post non-school materials on school property shall submit them to the Administrative Director or appropriate personnel designated by the Administrative Director. Distribution or posting of non-school materials on school property is limited to non-school materials that are primarily for secondary age students or is offering employment opportunities for Lenape students or graduates. If approval is granted by the Administrative Director, the non-school organization, group or individual shall comply with Joint Operating Committee policy and administrative regulations, and the school's time, manner and place restrictions for distribution and posting of materials. Materials issued by non-school organizations, groups or individuals shall not be distributed during instructional time or school-sponsored activities. Non-school Activities Activities sponsored by non-school organizations, groups or individuals shall not occur during instructional time or school-sponsored activities. Requests to invite or promote student participation in non-school activities shall be limited to non-school organizations, groups or individuals whose activity is primarily for secondary age students or is offering employment opportunities for Lenape students or graduates. Requests must comply with Joint Operating Committee policy and administrative regulations on distribution and posting of materials. Advertising By For Profit Businesses Advertising by or promotion of any for profit business is limited to placing discount coupons at the front office's counter, provided the coupons are for products or services that would be of interest for secondary age students. Fundraising Directory information for students or staff members will not be released to non-school organizations, groups or individuals that seek this information for the purpose of fundraising. Scholarships/Awards The Joint Operating Committee is appreciative of the generosity of organizations that offer scholarships or awards to deserving students; but, in accepting such offers, the Joint Operating Committee directs that established criteria be observed.

	No information, either academic or personal, shall be released from a student's record for the purpose of selecting a scholarship or awards winner without the permission of the student who is eighteen (18), or the parents/guardians of a student who is younger, in accordance with the Joint Operating Committee's policy on student records. All pertinent information regarding the scholarship or award shall be submitted for review by the Administrative Director or appropriate personnel designated by the Administrative Director prior to the date on which it is to be presented.