

## **POLITICAL SOLICITATIONS IN SCHOOLS**

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for all political solicitations, including board elections, as they relate to the school district.

### **Political campaign materials**

Campaign materials are not to be distributed within the school, or in school buses, or on school property by students, teachers or others, nor will campaign posters be displayed at or within the school or on other school property. No campaign literature is to be distributed through courier service or to be placed in staff mailboxes.

School equipment is not to be used to aid any candidate by printing material, making videos or any other item that is political in nature or will serve to aid a political candidate's campaign.

Current campaign materials that a teacher would use as part of the instructional program, e.g., teacher of civics, history or government, would be permitted at his/her discretion provided that such teacher does not advocate one candidate or one party.

Teachers or principals may invite candidates to visit classes or assemblies if equal opportunity is afforded all candidates for a particular position. Teachers must secure approval of their principals prior to inviting candidates to the school and the invitation must meet an instructional objective of the teacher.

Informal visitations to the schools by candidates are not permitted.

Advertisements, including those of a political nature, may be accepted for school publications where paid advertisement is solicited from the public. A local decision will be made by the sponsoring organization, school principal and superintendent as to the appropriateness of the content of all advertisements appearing in school publications.

When a school is used as an official poll station, the rules and regulations of the election commission will prevail.

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