

## **Public Appearances of School Groups**

Community-school relationships are enhanced when student groups appear at community functions. The board does not interpret that participation in a holiday observance that has religious overtones as automatically a promotion of a sectarian religious view. However, no student shall be required to participate in any religious holiday observance and shall not have any grade lowered or be otherwise punished for exercising the right of non-participation. Therefore, the board encourages student groups to appear at public events, subject to the following requirements:

1. Activity sponsors must secure the permission of their building principal before booking a student group at a public event.
2. Student groups may not perform on more than one school night (Sunday-Thursday) per week unless permission is granted in advance by the principal.
3. Student groups may not perform at a political rally without permission from the superintendent and prior notice to parents/guardians.
4. The policies and rules that apply to field trips also apply to student group appearances in public.

Adopted on: July 25, 2016

Revised on:

Reviewed on: March 27, 2023