

PLANO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Board finds it is the mission of the District to teach and train its students state and federally mandated curriculum and learning requirements, social skills and values, order, discipline, and respect for authority and each other; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that without first establishing discipline and maintaining order at the schools, teachers cannot begin to educate their students; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds the District has a limited amount of time available to teach its students the above; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that students should have an opportunity to distribute nonschool materials in a manner that does not disrupt the educational process, the order and discipline of the schools and/or the operation of the schools; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of policies FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL) are intended to regulate the time, place and manner of nonschool materials during times and places when the District is attempting to operate the schools and teach its students the above, which the Board finds to be reasonable and content neutral; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds the provisions of policies FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL) are intended to decrease distractions, to decrease disruption, to increase the time available and dedicated to learning, and to improve the educational process, environment, safety and order at District schools and not invade or collide with the rights of others; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds the provisions of policies FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL) relating to elementary schools are also intended to facilitate the safe, organized and structured movements of students between classes and at lunch, as well as to reduce littering; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that, from an educational perspective, the distribution of nonschool materials during times and places when the District is attempting to teach students is both distracting and a material and substantial disruption to the educational process and environment and to the order and discipline of the schools; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds the provisions of policies FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL) leave open alternative forms of communication of nonschool materials, such as alternative times and places to distribute such materials, nondisruptive oral speech, and distribution tables; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges receipt of testimony from educators, professionals and others and various written materials, including, but not limited to, studies, re-search, evaluations, and other findings that overwhelming support the adoption of polices FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL); and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that, to better improve the educational process, environment, safety and order at District schools, it is necessary to adopt the reasonable time, place and manner regulations in policies FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL):

The Board hereby approves and adopts the above findings to support the passage of and hereby adopts policies FNAA(LOCAL) and GKD(LOCAL).