

FIC: Public Performance by Students

The Board recognizes that worthy and appropriate educational values accrue from pupil participation in civic and community affairs. Instructors shall be encouraged to provide student public performances when such performances contribute to the educational process and objectives of that particular class, and when they do not interfere unduly with other scheduled classes or activities within school.

School groups may, with the permission of the principal, participate in local public events which fall into the following classifications:

1. Events sponsored by the schools. Educational events in which the schools serve as hosts shall have priority in scheduling appearances.
2. Community functions organized in the interests of the school, such as those that might be originated by a parent-teacher organization or in observance of National Education Week.
3. Noncommercial civic occasions of community, county, state, or national interest of sufficient breadth to enlist general sympathy and cooperation.
4. Events that are primarily patriotic in nature, such as Veterans' Day or Memorial Day.
5. Charity benefit activities, provided such activity has been specifically approved in advance by the Superintendent.
6. Programs sponsored by established character- building agencies, or programs sponsored jointly by the School District and mass communication media, in which the time or space given to the programs are of a public service nature.

Contributions toward travel funds, uniforms etc. are acceptable, and shall be expected if the performance is for any proprietary or politically partisan interest.

A school name, the names of school sponsored groups, or school equipment shall not be exploited.

Groups shall not take part in events that cause an undue amount of interference with the regular school program or that cause an excessive amount of time for rehearsal or preparation.

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