

# MONROE CAREER AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

SECTION: COMMUNITY

TITLE: RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL  
INTEREST GROUPS

ADOPTED: February 5, 2007

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| 913. RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS |   |
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| 1. Purpose                                  | Any requests from civic organizations or special interest groups that involve activities such as patriotic functions, contests, exhibits, sales of products to or by students, scholarships, fundraising, or disseminating literature/materials must be examined to ensure that such activities primarily promote student interests, rather than the special interests of any particular group.   |
| 2. Authority<br>SC 775<br>Pol. 707          | <p>It is the policy of the Joint Operating Committee that school facilities be used in accordance with the guidelines established in policy.</p> <p>Any person, firm or corporation attempting to engage in advertising, promotion, solicitation or sales without prior written consent and proof thereof shall be directed to cease such activity by the building administrator or other person in charge of the school property or activity and, if necessary, removed from the premises.</p>   |
| 3. Delegation of<br>Responsibility          | All materials or activities proposed by outside sources for use by, participation in, or distribution to students or staff members shall be subject to prior review by the Director or designee on the basis of educational value to the educational program, benefit to students, commercial benefit to the proposing group, and factual accuracy.   |
| 4. Guidelines                               | <p><u>Community Activities Involving Students</u></p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee recognizes the social and educational values that may be derived from student participation in various activities sponsored by community organizations but specifies that unreasonable demands on the time and energies of students and staff be prevented.</p> <p>Requests for student participation in community sponsored activities must be made in writing to the Director or designee.</p> <p><u>Fundraising</u></p> <p>Fundraising by outside groups is prohibited on school property or in the name of the school.</p> |

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| <p>Pol. 216</p> | <p>This policy does not apply to fundraising for school-sponsored activities.</p> <p>Staff members shall not release the names, addresses, or telephone numbers of students or staff members to any outside individual or agency for fundraising purposes.</p> <p><u>Scholarships/Awards</u></p> <p>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 guidelines be observed.</p> <p>No information, either academic or personal, shall be released from a student's record for the purpose of selecting a scholarship or award winner without the permission of the student who is eighteen (18) years of age, or the parents/ guardians of a student who is younger, in accordance with the Joint Operating Committee's policy on student records.</p> <p>The type of scholarship or award, and any pertinent restrictions, shall be approved by the Joint Operating Committee.</p> <p>All pertinent information regarding the proposed scholarship or award shall be submitted for review by the Director or designee in advance of the date on which it is to be presented.</p> <p><u>Dissemination of Literature/Materials</u></p> <p>Only literature and materials directly related to school activities or which contribute significantly to instructional programs may be disseminated to or through students and staff members.</p> <p>The school shall not be used to publish or disseminate literature or survey forms of partisan, sectarian or political organizations of any type.</p> <p>Distribution of literature relevant to community welfare is permitted when prior approval is granted by the Director or designee.</p> <p>The Joint Operating Committee prohibits posting and distributing on school property any literature or material that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Is political in nature.</li><li>2. Promotes or denigrates a particular religion or religious practice.</li><li>3. Is derogatory toward any ethnic, religious or racial group.</li></ol> |
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|  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. Promotes or encourages hostility, disorder, violence, or disregard for violation of legal obligations.</li><li>5. Primarily promotes commercial enterprises.</li><li>6. Is libelous, or interferes with or advocates interference with the rights of any individual or the operation of the school.</li><li>7. Promotes use of tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, illegal substances or paraphernalia.</li><li>8. Is obscene or pornographic in the context of being inconsistent with prevailing standards.</li><li>9. Is not in the best interest of the students, staff or school, in the opinion of the Joint Operating Committee.</li></ol> |
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