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DISTRIBUTION OF NON-SCHOOL MATERIALS

The Board wishes to minimize intrusions on the teaching and learning time of students and staff. While there are many worthy activities in the communities served by RSU 29 that are sponsored by various non-profit organizations, the Board believes that students should not be used to distribute or carry home flyers, brochures, or other materials that are not directly related to school programs, school curriculum, or school-related activities.

Only the following materials may be distributed to students to be carried home:

- A. Communications from the Board, Superintendent, school administrators, and school staff such as newsletters, letters to parents, announcements of meetings or events, school forms, and classroom information;
- B. Information or notices concerning school-sponsored activities or programs for students and/or parents;
- C. Information or notices concerning activities or programs offered by groups affiliated with RSU 29 schools, such as parent-teacher organizations, the Municipal Recreation Department and booster groups; and
- D. Information or notices from municipal, state or federal agencies concerning programs available to students.

Commercial materials will not be distributed to students except in the case of those whose purpose is to further a school activity such as graduation, class pictures or class rings.

The building principal will approve distribution of such activity-related materials.

All other materials must be provided to the Superintendent for approval to distribute and directions regarding how they will distributed.

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POSTING OF NON-PROFIT AND/OR COMMUNITY MATERIALS

Non-Profit/Community materials may not be posted without the prior approval of the Superintendent or designee. Any local non-profit/community group may submit such materials to the building principal.

Materials that interfere with the instructional process or the operations of the schools, that are lewd or obscene, libelous, that are discriminatory or infringe upon the rights of others, promote illegal activities or are in violation of any Board policy will not be posted.

In order to make sufficient space available, building principals may establish rules for the size of notices/flyers and the length of time they may be posted.

Building principals may designate a bulletin board or other specific location where notices regarding non-profit community activities or events that may be of interest to students and/or parents may be posted. All materials must include a statement that the activity or program is not affiliated with or endorsed by RSU 29.

Cross reference: KHA/Public Solicitation in the Schools

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