

378-RULE GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT PERFORMANCES IN PUBLIC EVENTS

The following regulations shall apply to student performances in public events:

1. Requests for school organizations to participate in scheduled appearances must be approved prior the performance by the school principal. The faculty member in charge of each activity is to keep the principal informed of student appearances in public.
2. Students shall not be excused from classes to participate, except when prior approval has been given.
3. Students in elementary, junior and senior high schools may participate in activities, which require them to be away from home overnight with the permission of the superintendent.
4. School groups may, with the permission of the principal, participate in local public events, which fall into the following classifications:
 - a. Events sponsored by the schools. Educational events in which the schools serve as hosts shall have priority in scheduling appearances.
 - b. Community functions organized in the interests of the school such as those that might be originated by the parent-teacher association (PTA).
 - c. Non-commercial civic occasions of community, county, state or national interest of sufficient breadth to enlist general sympathy and cooperation.
 - d. Events that are primarily patriotic in nature, such as Veteran's Day.
 - e. Charity benefit activities provided such activity has been specifically approved in advance by the superintendent.
 - f. Programs sponsored by established character-building agencies, or programs sponsored jointly by the school district and mass communication media where the time or space given to the programs is of a public nature.
5. School groups may not participate in events that fall into any of the following classifications:
 - a. Events that are for the purpose of private gain or for the advertising of any commercial project or product. A school name, the names of school-sponsored groups or school equipment shall not be exploited in events of a commercial nature.
 - b. Events that are for the furtherance of any politically partisan interest. In questionable cases, the matter shall be referred to the Board.
 - c. Events that are primarily for the furtherance of any sectarian concern.
 - d. Events that cause an undue amount of interference with the regular school program or that cause an excessive amount of absence due to rehearsal or preparation.

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