Nord Country School BP 6040 – Public Solicitation on School Grounds



1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The property, buildings, or facilities owned or controlled by the school are not open for assembly, speech, or other activities as are the public streets, sidewalks, parks and other public places.
- 1.2 The Nord Country School Governing Board's legal duty to operate and maintain a safe and secure campus requires that the time, place, and manner of assembly, speech, and other activities on the school premises be regulated.
- 1.3 The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the Board's legal duty regarding public solicitation is fulfilled. Accordingly, it is against school policy for anyone to solicit, peddle, canvass, or otherwise engage in contacting school faculty, staff, or students for any purpose not specifically approved in advance by the Nord Country School Administrator.

2.0 Solicitation on Campus

2.1 Materials to be distributed shall not include any which:

- 2.1.1 Are obscene, libelous, slanderous, or which incite students to commit unlawful acts, violate the School's policies, procedures, and rules, or disrupt the School's orderly operations.
- 2.1.2 Discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, or disability.
- 2.1.3 Attack or disparage any group or person based upon sex, race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, or disability.
- 2.1.4 Request students or other family members to contribute in any way to the funds of, or become members of, or to work for, any organization not directly under the control of School authorities, unless the organization is a nonpartisan, charitable organization organized for charitable purposes by an act of Congress or under the laws of the State of California, the purpose of the solicitation is nonpartisan and charitable and the solicitation has been approved by the Charter School governing board or designee. To qualify as an organization exempted in this Section [II][C][4], the organization must present to the Governing Board or designee written evidence from the Internal Revenue Service that the organization has been granted tax-exempt status under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(a) as an organization described in Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Solicitation must be conducted only in an area designated by the Governing Board or designee. Any person soliciting on behalf of such organizations must have credentials identifying him or her as authorized agents of the organization. Permission to solicit may not be used by the organization as an endorsement of the School.

- 2.1.5 Express support for or against specific political campaigns, issues, or activities, including statewide ballot initiatives and other ballot measures.
- 2.1.6 Express support for or against a specific religion or religious viewpoint, church, or denomination.
- 2.2 Advertising of commercial products or services may be conducted only when prior approval has been granted by the Administrator. In no event shall any material be distributed advertising alcohol or tobacco products or otherwise encouraging students to consume alcohol or tobacco products. Students shall not be asked or otherwise be required to distribute commercial advertising materials.
- 2.3 No handbills or fliers shall be distributed or placed in/or on cars parked on the School premises. No loudspeakers are to be used at any time during class hours.

3.0 Permission Procedures

- 3.1 All materials to be distributed or posted shall first be submitted to the Administrator or designee for approval. All materials shall bear the name and contact location of the sponsoring organization.
- 3.2 Materials which have not been approved by the Administrator or designee shall be removed if posted. Any person distributing materials that have not been approved by the Administrator or designee shall cease distribution immediately upon demand by a School official.

4.0 Adoption and Review

- 4.1 Originally Adopted: 6/7/2005
- 4.2 Most Recent Review: 4/26/2023