

STDNT9.1.2 - Student Expression: Use of School Facilities for Nonschool Purposes

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USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES FOR NONSCHOOL PURPOSES

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If a District secondary school receives federal financial assistance and has a limited open forum, as defined below, it shall not deny equal access or a fair opportunity to, or discriminate against, any students who wish to conduct a meeting within that limited open forum on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at such meetings. *20 U.S.C. 4071*

The District school(s) shall offer students a fair opportunity to conduct meetings using school facilities whereupon:

- A. Such meetings are voluntary, and student initiated.
- B. There is no sponsorship of such meetings by the District, District employees or governmental entities, or employees of governmental entities.
- C. District employees present at religious meetings will be present only in a nonparticipatory capacity.
- D. Such meetings shall not materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of the educational activities of the District.
- E. Nonschool persons shall not be permitted to direct, conduct, control, or regularly attend such student group meetings.

Neither the District, any employee or agent of the District, nor of any state or federal governmental entity shall be permitted to:

- A. Influence the form or content of any prayer or other religious activity connected with student meetings.
- B. Require any person to participate in prayer or other religious activity.
- C. Expend public funds beyond the incidental cost of providing the space for such student-initiated meetings.
- D. Compel any employee of the District to attend a school meeting that is contrary to the beliefs of the employee.
- E. Sanction meetings that are otherwise unlawful.
- F. Limit the rights of groups of students to avail themselves under the provisions of this policy to a specified numerical size.
- G. Abridge either Arizona or U.S. constitutional rights of any employee, official, or student of the District.

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