



WSD Policy E21

DISTRIBUTION OF NON-SCHOOL SPONSORED LITERATURE

ADOPTION DATE:

Policy

The Winooski School District does not allow any distribution of non-school sponsored literature on school grounds or at school events by community members, or district employees acting on their own behalf or on behalf of a community group.

Definitions

1. **Non-school sponsored literature** means any printed, written, or electronic materials prepared by non-school organizations or individuals that are not made as a part of the curricular or approved extracurricular programs of the district. They include such things as fliers, invitations, announcements, pamphlets, posters, photographs, pictures, audio recordings, digital recordings, and electronic messages. Materials prepared under the supervision of school staff as part of classroom instruction or classroom activities are not restricted by this policy. Similarly, parent-teacher organizations, city partnerships, and entities historically associated with the school district and whose programming and decision making is regularly in partnership with district leadership are not restricted by this policy.
2. **Distribution** means circulating non-school sponsored literature in ways that include: handing to others on school property or during school-sponsored events; posting on school property such as walls, bulletin boards, and district web-sites; placing upon desks, tables, on or in lockers; or making available in the principal's office.

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Legal Reference(s):	<i>Good News Club v. Milford Central Schools, 533 U.S. 98 (2001)</i> <i>Lamb's Chapel v. Center Moriches Union Free School Dist., 508 U.S. 384, 390 (1993)</i> <i>Cornelius v. NAACP Legal Defense and Ed. Fund, Inc., 473 U.S. 788 (1985)</i> <i>Perry Educ. Ass'n v. Perry Local Educ. Ass'n, 460 U.S. 37 (1983)</i> <i>Travis v. Owego-Apalachin School Dist., 927 F.2d 688 (2d Cir. 1991)</i> <i>Chiu v. Plano Indep. Sch. Dist., 339 F.3d 273 (5th Cir. 2003)</i> <i>DiLoreto v. Downey Unified Sch. Dist. Bd. of Educ., 196 F.3d 958 (9th Cir. 1999), cert. denied 529 U.S. 1067 (2000)</i> <i>Hedges v. Wauconda Community Unit Sch. Dist. No. 118, 9 F.3d 1295 (7th Cir. 1993)</i> <i>Kiesinger v. Mexico Academy and Cent. Sch., 427 F. Supp. 2d 182 (N.D.N.Y. 2006)</i>
Cross Reference:	<i>Student Distribution of Literature</i> <i>Community Use of Facilities</i>