

DISTRIBUTION AND DISPLAY OF COMMUNITY MATERIALS

Following is a summary of Policy 9.10 along with some supporting procedures:

In November of 2000 the Oregon School District adopted a policy for distribution and display of community materials. The Board of Education recognizes that the right of people to express ideas is protected by the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution. It is their policy to avoid interference with these rights as long as such expression does not interfere with normal school activities or infringe on the rights of others.

Materials that are appropriate for display or distribution in the schools include but are not limited to those relating to programs or opportunities that are beneficial to residents of the school district especially children and families, are offered at an affordable or no cost, and have a legitimate educational, cultural, civic, and/or recreational purpose. Materials that are not appropriate include but are not limited to those that profit an individual or group of individuals, disrupt the instructional process or educational mission of the school, are lewd or obscene, or encourage illegal activities.

Following are some of the guidelines to abide by when distributing or displaying community materials in the schools:

- All materials must be approved prior to distribution or display.
- The Board of Education has designated the Community Education Director as the person to approve such materials.
- Materials should be mailed or taken to the Community Education Office at the Oregon Pool. They will be reviewed and approved as quickly as possible.
- Any materials to be distributed should be supplied to the approved school or schools in appropriate quantities and divided into sets of 25 when given to all students and sets of 15 when given to just boys or girls.
- Materials will be distributed to students on Wednesdays of each week. Approved materials must be delivered by 3:30PM on Monday to the CE Office or Tuesday to the appropriate building in order to be distributed on Wednesday.
- Those who are present at school to distribute materials during the school day are responsible for clean-up of the distribution area.
- All materials to be distributed or displayed should include the following statement: *"The distribution and/or display of these materials should not be understood to constitute the endorsement or approval of the Oregon School District."*

A copy of the complete policy may be obtained from any school office, the District Services Office, the Community Education Office or from the school website at www.oregon.k12.wi.us. If you have questions or need additional information please call Anne at 835-4096.

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