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## Public Information Display

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### I. PURPOSE

District owned properties are frequently meeting places for citizens of Minneapolis and other visitors. Cooperation with non-school related groups and organizations to allow these groups opportunities to offer publications to inform visitors and staff of community information and events is frequently in the best interests of the community. Exposure to non-school publications may also contribute to the education of our students. The purpose of this policy is to establish the criteria for display of non-school public information at district owned properties.

### II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. ***In District Offices.*** Non-school publications may be displayed at District Offices if qualified under regulations promulgated by the Superintendent. In addition to other regulations the Superintendent may pose, the regulations shall include the following:
1. Materials must be of general interest to families of students in the Minneapolis Public Schools;
  2. Materials may not advocate violence or illegal activity.
  3. Materials may not have as their primary purpose the promotion or opposition to a ballot measure or campaign for or against an election candidate;
  4. Materials may not have as their primary purpose the advertisement for a business, commercial product or service.
  5. The publisher of the materials must be clearly identified.
  6. Designation that the materials offered are not sponsored or endorsed by Minneapolis Public Schools must be made either by the individual publication, or may, in the Superintendent's discretion, be identified as non-district sponsored or endorsed materials by appropriate signage in the location where the materials are displayed.
- B. ***In School Buildings.*** Non-school publications may be displayed in District School Buildings where students are located if the principal or site administrator agrees to allow the display of public information at the school.
1. The principal or site administrator may designate the location(s) where such materials may be displayed.
  2. The principal or site administrator may designate the length of time the materials may be displayed.
  3. Materials shall conform to the restrictions included in Paragraph II.A.
  4. Materials shall conform to all regulations promulgated by the Superintendent.

### III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Superintendent is authorized to promulgate regulations to implement this policy.



- B. Principals or site administrators are authorized to make annual elections as to whether or not the school or site will allow non-school groups to display materials at the site.

***Legal References:***

Minn. Stat. §123B.02 (General Powers of Independent School Districts)

Minn. Stat. §128D.02 ([Special School District No. 1] Board of Education like Independent District's)

***Cross References:***

MPS Policy 1060 (Flyer Distribution)

MPS Policy 1070 (Poster Display)

MPS Policy 1100 (Advertising in the Schools)

MPS Policy 1580 (Soliciting, Peddling and Canvassing on School Grounds)