

Tamalpais Union HSD | AR 6145.5 Instruction

Student Organizations And Equal Access

School-sponsored student organizations must be organized at the school, have a certificated advisor, be composed completely of current student body members and be approved by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Board policy. They shall hold the majority of their meetings at school and have a democratic plan for the selection of members. Organization activities shall not conflict with the authority and responsibilities of school officials.

All clubs and organizations shall be subject to the following:

1. There shall be no religious indoctrination or orientation.
2. No student shall be required to participate in an initiation ceremony or activity to be a member of a club or organization.
3. Membership standards must be clearly stated and nondiscriminatory and open to all students who qualify.
4. Off-campus meetings and activities must be approved in advance by the principal or designee. There shall be staff supervision and conformance with District transportation regulations.
5. Dances shall be held on campus except for the Senior Ball and the Junior Prom. The location of any dance held off-campus must be approved in advance by the principal or designee. School staff shall supervise all dances and police protection shall be provided when deemed necessary by the administration.

Organizational activities shall not conflict with the authority and responsibilities of school officials.

Limited Open Forum

The Superintendent or designee shall not deny any student-initiated group access to school facilities during noninstructional time on the basis of religious, political, philosophical or any other content to be addressed at such meetings. The Superintendent or designee shall provide for a limited open forum on noninstructional time so that any such meetings do not interfere with regular school activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall identify the noninstructional time period(s) set aside for limited open forum meetings before or after actual classroom instruction times.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that student meetings are voluntary, with no direction, control or regular attendance by nonschool persons, and that students leave the meeting place in a clean, orderly and secure condition after their meetings.

School staff shall not promote or participate in these meetings, but may be assigned voluntarily to observe them for purposes of maintaining order and protecting student safety.

Meetings held within the limited open forum shall entail no expenditure of public funds beyond the incidental cost of providing the meeting space. Any announcement of meetings shall clearly state that the group is not sponsored by the school or school staff. Such announcements may be posted in

accordance with Board policy and state law applicable to all students, but students shall not use the school's equipment or public address system to publicize the meetings of groups not sponsored by the school.

(cf. 5145.2 - Freedom of Speech/Expression)

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