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## STUDENTS

### Student Publications

Student publications produced as part of the school's curriculum or with the support of the associated student body fund are intended to serve both as vehicles for instruction and student communication. They are financed and operated by the district. Student editors of school-sponsored media, such as student newspapers, are responsible for determining the news, opinion, features, and advertising content of the media, in accordance with [Chapter 28A.600 RCW](#). Student expression in school-sponsored media is not to be deemed an expression of school or district policy.

Material appearing in student publications may reflect various areas of student interest, including topics about which there may be controversy and dissent. When engaging with a controversial issue, student publications should strive to provide in-depth treatment and represent a variety of viewpoints.

The district prohibits student expression in school-sponsored media that:

- Is libelous or slanderous;
- Is an unwarranted invasion of privacy;
- Is obscene or profane, such that it would violate federal or state laws, rules or regulations or incites others to violate federal or state laws, rules, or regulations, including the standards established by the federal communications act or applicable federal communication commission rules or regulations;
- **Causes a Incites students so as to create a clear and present danger of the** material and substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the school;
- Violates district policy or procedure related to harassment, intimidation or bullying, nondiscrimination, or other district policy or procedure or incites the violation of such policy or procedure;
- Violates other district policies or procedures or incites the violation of such;
- Violates federal or state laws, rules, regulations, or incites the violation of such laws; or
- Advertises tobacco products, liquor, illicit drugs, or drug paraphernalia.

The superintendent shall develop guidelines assuring that students are able to exercise freedom of expression so long as it does not present a material and substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the school, implementing the standards above, and establishing procedures for the prompt review of any media that appears not to comply with the standards.

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Cross references:	<a href="#">Board Policy 2124</a>	Digital Citizenship and Media
		Literacy
	<a href="#">Board Policy 3204</a>	Prohibition of Harassment,
		Intimidation or Bullying
	<a href="#">Board Policy 3210</a>	Nondiscrimination
	<a href="#">Procedure 3221P</a>	Student Publications
	<a href="#">Board Policy 3300</a>	<b><u>Student Discipline</u></b>
	<a href="#">Board Policy 5161</a>	Civility in the Workplace
Legal references:	<a href="#">Chapter 28A.600 RCW</a>	Students
	<a href="#">SSB 5064 Chapter 125, Laws of 2018, Student Freedom of</a>	
	<a href="#">Expression</a>	

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