

PUBLIC CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

School sponsored or approved activities are an important part of the school program and offer students the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities not offered during the regular school day. School sponsored or approved activities are provided for the enjoyment and opportunity for involvement they afford the students.

The public is permitted to attend school sponsored or approved activities only as guests of the school district, and, accordingly as a condition of such permission, they must comply with the school district's rules and policies. The public will not be allowed to interfere with the enjoyment of the students participating, other spectators or with the performance of employees and officials supervising the school sponsored or approved activity. The public, like the student participants, are expected to display mature behavior and sportsmanship. The failure to do so is not only disruptive but is embarrassing to the students, the school district and the entire community.

To protect the rights of students to participate without fear of interference, and to permit the sponsors and officials of sponsored or approved activities to perform their duties without interference, the following provisions are in effect:

1. Abusive, verbal or physical conduct by the public directed at participants, officials or sponsors of sponsored or approved activities or at other attendees will not be tolerated.
2. Verbal or physical conduct by the public that interferes with the performance of students, officials or sponsors of sponsored or approved activities will not be tolerated.
3. The use of vulgar or obscene language directed at students, officials or sponsors participating in a sponsored or approved activity or at other attendees will not be tolerated.

If an attendee at a sponsored or approved activity becomes physically or verbally abusive, uses vulgar or obscene language, or in any way impedes the performance of an activity, the attendee may be removed from the event by the individual in charge of the event and the superintendent may recommend the exclusion of the attendee at future sponsored or approved activities.

Upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board shall cause a notice of exclusion from activities to be sent to the attendee involved. The notice shall advise the attendee of the district's right to exclude the individual from school district activities and events and the duration of the exclusion. If the attendee disobeys the district's order, law enforcement authorities will be contacted and asked to remove the attendee. If an attendee has been notified of exclusion and thereafter attends a sponsored or approved activity, the attendee shall be advised that his/her attendance will result in prosecution.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 279.8; 716.7 (2009).  
Cross Reference: 205 Board Member Liability  
504 Student Activities  
802.6 Vandalism  
903 Public Participation in the School District

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