PETITIONS, HANDBILLS, AND LITERATURE

This section is covered by the provost's office at each campus.

Each petition, handbill, or piece of literature shall identify the person or organization distributing it.

No person or organization may publicly distribute on College District property one or more petitions, handbills, or pieces of literature that are obscene or libelous or that contain nonpermissible solicitation. Distribution shall be conducted so as not to interfere with free and unimpeded flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic or to disturb or interfere with academic or institutional activities.

No person or organization shall distribute literature by accosting individuals or by hawking or shouting. The distributor shall clean the area around which the literature was distributed.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

All College District-published and financed student publications are required to conform explicitly to the canons of responsible journalism, such as the avoidance of libel, indecency, undocumented allegations, attacks on personal integrity, harassment, and innuendo.

The College District reserves the right to ensure and maintain free and responsible media operations through the educational process.

USE OF COLLEGE DISTRICT NAME OR SYMBOL

The name of the College District, emblem/logo of the College District, or other recognizable symbol representing the College District shall not be used as a part of the name or masthead of any publication without the express written approval of the College President.

IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDING SOURCE

Any publication, developed wholly or in part from funds received from a grant, shall have the funding source clearly identified on the document.

SIGNS

For the purposes of this policy, “sign” shall be defined as a billboard, decal, notice, placard, poster, banner, or any kind of handheld sign; “posting” shall be defined as any means used for displaying a sign.

No person or organization shall post a sign that is obscene or libelous or that contains nonpermissible solicitation. [See FI(LOCAL) and GF(LOCAL)]

Except for nonpermissible signs, as defined herein, a student, registered student organization, department, or community member may publicly post a sign on College District property in areas or locations designated by the director of student activities in conjunction with the campus provost and the director of plant operations. No object other than a sign shall be posted on College District property.
Before publicly posting a sign, a student and/or student organization shall:

1. Deposit in the student life office the sign to be posted.

2. Provide pertinent information including the:
   a. Name and phone number of the student, registered student organization, department, or community member must be included on all items to be posted;
   b. Proposed general location for posting the sign;
   c. Length of time the sign shall be posted; and
   d. Signature of the student, authorized representative, and/or advisor.

Upon receipt, the student life office staff shall ensure that the pertinent information listed above is included and that the following guidelines are applied:

1. Approved items, with a maximum size of 11" x 17", shall be posted neatly on appropriate bulletin boards by student life office personnel, subject to space availability.

2. Items shall receive an approval stamp dated and signed by student life office personnel for each item to be posted.

3. Materials generally shall be approved for a maximum period of four weeks.

4. Materials that do not conform to these posting procedures and guidelines shall be subject to immediate removal.

A sign may not be:

1. Attached to:
   a. A shrub or plant.
   b. A College District vehicle.
   c. A permanent sign installed for another purpose.
   d. A fence or chain or its supporting structure.
   e. A brick, concrete, or masonry structure.
   f. A statue, monument, or similar structure.

2. Posted:
   a. On or adjacent to a fire hydrant.
b. On or between a curb and sidewalk.

c. In a College District building except on a bulletin board designated for that purpose.

The student life office shall remove all signs no later than one week after the expired approval stamp date. No person may remove a sign posted or attached in accordance with this section without permission from the director of student life.

**NONPERMISSIBLE SIGNS**

No student or registered student organization shall post or carry a sign that:

1. Involves nonpermissible solicitation.
2. Contains material that is obscene or libelous.
3. Is larger than 11” x 17”, unless authorized by the director of student life.

**CLASSROOM BULLETIN BOARDS**

Bulletin boards located both inside and directly outside each classroom are under the jurisdiction of the provost on each individual campus or designee.