

# SD 42 POLICY: 10820

# POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

## Philosophy

The Board believes that schools are a place for students to learn about civics and our democratic system of government to help them become engaged responsible citizens.

The Board believes that school district facilities shall not be used for partisan political activities.

## Authority

The Board authorizes the Superintendent and the Secretary Treasurer to develop and implement all procedures required for implementation of this policy.

## Definitions

Political activity means:

- carrying on any activity in support of, within or in opposition to a political party; or
- carrying on any activity in support of or in opposition to a candidate before or during an election period.

### **Guiding Principles**

- All school district employees must not conduct political activity in the workplace or use school district facilities, equipment or supplies for political activity.
- Political campaign signs and materials shall not be placed on school district property or distributed to staff, students, volunteers and parents in school district facilities or on school grounds.
- During election periods, school district facilities may be rented for all candidates meetings.
- School district facilities may be rented by political parties.
- Elected officials may be invited to participate in school events organized with the purpose of students learning about civics and our democratic system of government.

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