RECOMMENDED

YOUTH PATRIOTIC SOCIETY ACCESS

Descriptor Code: FFL

For the purposes of this policy:

- Youth patriotic society is defined in NDCC 15.1-06-14(1) as a youth group that promotes patriotism, civic education, and civic involvement, listed under title 36, United States Code, subtitle II, part B, as of January 1, 2021.
- School property is defined in NDCC 15.1-19-10(6)(b) as all land within the
 perimeter of the school site and all school buildings, structures, facilities,
 and school vehicles, whether owned or leased by a school district, and the
 site of any school-sponsored event or activity.

In accordance with state law, the District must allow representatives of youth patriotic societies access to students during the school day to inform them about the society and explain how they may participate in or join the society. Access must be provided during the first quarter of each academic school year. By providing access to youth patriotic societies as required by law, the District does not intend to create a public forum for purposes of free speech or expression.

Presentation Criteria

The **Superintendent** shall set reasonable time, place, and manner requirements on a presentation of a youth patriotic society to students. The **Superintendent** shall provide notice of the time, place, and manner requirements to the society representative within a reasonable timeframe following receipt of a request to speak. When possible, the **Superintendent** shall schedule youth patriotic society presentations outside of student instructional time. Student participation in such presentations is voluntary and written consent by a parent/guardian is required before a student is permitted to attend any youth patriotic society presentation.

Youth patriotic societies intending to speak to students on school property during school hours must adhere to the following criteria:

- 1. Provide the **Superintendent** with written notice of their intent to speak to the students **5 school days before the proposed presentation.**
- 2. Submit to the **Superintendent** any materials intended to be shared with students at least **5** school days before the presentation;
- 3. Limit the subject matter of the presentation to providing information to students about the society and how students may participate in or join the society;
- 4. Limit the presentation to **15** minutes in length;
- 5. Comply with applicable state law and district policy/regulations while on school property; and

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6. Refrain from engaging in disruptive conduct that may interrupt or interfere with the orderly operation/management of the District, or that is insulting, harassing, or threatening toward district personnel. Individuals who engage in such conduct will immediately be asked to leave school property.

The District reserves the right to deny access to any youth patriotic society that fails or refuses to comply with this policy

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