## Title: PROMOTION OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

## NEW SHOREHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT BLOCK ISLAND SCHOOL

It is the policy of the School Committee that neither pupils, staff members, nor the school facilities may be used in any manner for advertising or promoting the interests of any non-school agency or private organization without the approval of the School Committee. Teachers are directed not to release the names, addresses, or telephone numbers of students to any outside individual or agency.

It shall be the policy of the School Committee to endeavor to eliminate any materials from use and circulation in the school which are deemed to be primarily advertising materials. This shall not preclude imprinted materials solicited by the teachers as being suitable for use in a project or purpose of their class.

Exceptions may be made, if in the judgement of the Superintendent, a particular contest involves experiences which are closely allied to and in support of the instructional work of the school and which will clearly serve to advance the educational aims of the school. The worthiness of the sponsoring agency's cause, or the opportunity for individuals to win prizes, shall not in themselves constitute a sufficient reason for an exception to the general policy.

In no instance shall an outside contest or project be approved which will interfere with the operation of the regular course of study in classes, or require a teacher to divert any of his or her time from the general welfare of pupils.

Policy Adopted: 1/18/00 New Shoreham School District, Block Island School