

NEW SHOREHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BLOCK ISLAND SCHOOL

It is the role of the School Committee and administration to create and maintain a climate of open communication with the community. Any communication plan must have multiple means of communication based on the audiences to be reached, content, and type of communication undertaken. One component of a communication plan is the publishing of material that is distributed via the school whether sent home with students, mailed, on a list serve, placed on the school web site, or other means. The purpose of these communications shall be to provide information to students, families, and the community about the school and its programs.

It is to be expected that material published in type and amount will be reflective of the mission of the school. Such communication shall not be a form of advertising or promoting for profit ventures or to establish any type of forum for public debate. Accordingly, this policy sets conditions under which materials may be published.

The publication of materials may be permitted under the following circumstances:

- Materials relative to the educational program within an individual classroom may be published and distributed under the supervision of the teacher.
- Materials relative to the programs and activities operated by the school or school-sponsored or school-affiliated organizations may be published under the supervision of the building principal(s).
- Materials relative to the programs and activities operated by the district or under any circumstances not covered above may be published under the supervision of the superintendent.

Adopted: January 10, 2011

*New Shoreham School District, Block Island School*