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2 **Freedom of Expression**

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4 The board of education recognizes that students do not shed their constitutional
5 rights at the schoolhouse gate. However, the board of education is responsible
6 for balancing those rights against its responsibility to provide a program of
7 education for students in this district. The board is authorized to preserve order
8 so that the system may function properly.

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10 Students may not engage in any expressive conduct that causes a material and
11 substantial disruption to the educational program; that is lewd, obscene, profane,
12 defamatory, threatening or contains "fighting words;" that advocates the use of
13 substances that are illegal to minors; that incites violence or constitutes a "true
14 threat;" or that urges the violation of law or school rules. Violators will be
15 disciplined in accordance with law and board policy.

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