JHCA Student Publications (See KI) **JHCA** School-Sponsored Student Publications School-sponsored student publications shall be under the supervision

of the building principal or designated faculty representative. Students who have facts and opinions should be allowed to express

them in print as well as through oral communications. However, student editors and writers must observe the same legal responsibilities as those imposed upon conventional newspapers and communication media. No student shall distribute any school publication which:

- Is obscene according to current legal definitions;
- Is libelous according to current legal definitions; or
- Creates a material or substantial interference with normal school activity or with appropriate discipline in the operation of the school.

Student publications which are not libelous, disruptive, or obscene may be distributed on school property during school hours at times and in areas designated by the building principal.

If a decision to disapprove distribution of a publication is made, the principal shall state reasons for the decision to the student(s).

If the student is dissatisfied with the principal's decision, the student may appeal the decision to the superintendent.

Non-School Sponsored Student Publications

Non-school sponsored student publications may be distributed on school property at times and in areas designated by the building principal. Distribution of any non-school-sponsored publication may be halted if the material is obscene, libelous, creates

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a material or substantial disruption of normal school activity, or interferes with the operation of

the school. Distribution in violation of this policy may result in suspension, expulsion, or other

discipline of the students involved.

Advertisements

Ads concerning illegal drugs, any controlled substances, or any illegal activity are

prohibited in school sponsored publications.

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