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CONTROVERSIAL SPEAKERS OR PROGRAMS

The Board, in an effort to uphold the students' freedom to learn while also recognizing obligations which the exercise of this freedom entails, establishes the following guidelines:

1. All speakers must be invited through the school principal and an attempt shall be made to engage speakers for both sides of the issues. In no instance shall a speaker who advocates unconstitutional or illegal acts or procedures be permitted to address students. The teacher/sponsor and principal are expected to exercise judgment and to fully investigate proposed resource persons.
2. An appropriate record shall be made of each resource person utilized and of his or her presentation.
3. The ideas presented and the resource person invited to present them shall have a demonstrable relation to the curricular or co-curricular activity in which the participating students are involved.
4. Prior to his or her appearance or participation, the resource person shall be given a copy of this policy and shall agree to abide by the following points:
 - A. Profanity, vulgarity, and lewd comments are prohibited.
 - B. The teacher/sponsor responsible for inviting the resource person, or any member of the school administration, has the right and duty to interrupt or suspend any proceedings if the conduct of the resource person is judged to be in poor taste or endangering to the health and safety of students and staff