

Students

**FREEDOM OF SPEECH/EXPRESSION: PUBLICATIONS CODE**

Free inquiry and exchange of ideas are essential parts of a democratic education. The Governing Board respects students' rights to express ideas and opinions, take stands, and support causes, whether controversial or not, through their speech, their writing, their clothing, and the printed materials they choose to post or distribute.

Student liberties of expression shall be limited only as allowed by law in order to maintain an orderly school environment and to protect the rights, health and safety of all members of the school community.

*(cf. 1325 - Advertising and Promotion)*  
*(cf. 6145.5 - Organizations/Associations)*

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that due process is followed when resolving disputes regarding student freedom of expression.

*(cf. 6145.3 - Publications)*

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48907 Exercise of free expression; rules and regulations

51520 Prohibited solicitations on school premises

Perumal et al v. Saddleback Valley Unified School District, 88 Daily Journal D.A.R. 1426

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

4071-4074 Equal Access Act