PARTICIPATION BY SCHOOL GROUPS IN PUBLIC EVENTS

I. School groups may, with the permission of the principal, participate in local public events that fall in the following classifications:

A. Educational events in which District schools serve as hosts shall have priority in scheduling appearances.

B. Community functions organized in the interests of the school, such as those initiated by the parent-teacher entity.

C. Noncommercial civic occasions of community, city, state, or national interest of sufficient breadth to enlist general sympathy and cooperation.

D. Events that are primarily patriotic in nature such as Veteran’s Day.

E. Charity benefit activities, provided such activity has been specifically approved in advance by the regional superintendent or designee.

F. Programs sponsored by established character-building agencies or programs sponsored jointly by the regional superintendent and mass communication media where the time or space given to the program is of a public service nature.

II. Throughout the school year, organizations holding their annual conventions will request that students assist with their programs or provide entertainment for participating members. When such requests are within other established guidelines and have been approved by the principal of the school involved and the appropriate regional superintendent, students will be permitted to provide these services.

School groups may not participate in events that fall into any of the following classifications:

A. Events that are for the purpose of private gain or for the advertising of any commercial project or product. A school name, the names of school-sponsored groups, or school equipment shall not be exploited in events of a commercial nature. Any school that has been requested to assist with annual meetings or conventions by organizations in Clark County must take precaution against the advertising of specific products or projects.
B. Events that promote any politically partisan interest.

C. Events that are primarily for the promotion of any sectarian concern. Church appearances of music groups are allowed only on a concert basis.

D. Events that cause an undue amount of interference with the regular school program or that cause an excessive amount of absence due to rehearsal or preparation.

E. Events, other than school-sponsored, that necessitate special construction of floats or other equipment requiring school materials and the time of school employees and students.

F. Cocktail parties, “stag” parties, or any situation unsuitable for student participation.

G. School-sponsored music organizations are not to compete with professional musicians off school property.

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