SPONSORSHIP OF FIELD TRIPS, COMPETITIVE EVENTS, AND TRAVEL/STUDY

As specified in Board Policy 6560, Field Trips and Competitive Events, post-graduation trips and events and other trips and events sponsored independently by community, booster, service, youth, or parent organizations or individual staff members are not school, District or Board-sponsored activities. Independently sponsored trips include all field trips and/or travel-study trips except those authorized under Board Policy 6560 and Administrative Regulation 6560.2, Extended Field Trips.

Non-sanctioned trips or events, whether or not for profit, are considered commercial ventures, and no school or District endorsement, explicit or implicit, may be given to any such programs.

The principal or designee may allow notice of such events in school publications, announcements, and bulletin boards to the same extent and in the same manner as notice of other community, booster, service, youth, or parent organization activities. However, all such notice(s) shall include the following disclaimer to clarify that the District and the school are not sponsoring the activity.

"This (name of event) is sponsored by (name of organization or individual) and is not a school or District-sponsored activity. Participation in the activity by any District employee is on the employee's own time and not as a representative of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District. The Fullerton Joint Union High School District is not liable for events occurring as a result of this activity."

Any activity which takes place on a school campus or at another District facility with the intent to announce, advertise, promote, or make arrangements for a non-sanctioned trip or event can only take place after an approved Use of Facilities permit is obtained prior to the activity.

No employee shall promote or endorse any non-sanctioned trips in the employee's official capacity as a District employee. District employees who independently choose to participate in non-sanctioned trips or events are not acting in the course and scope of their employment and may therefore be held personally liable for any damages that result from the trip or event. The Board of Trustees does not endorse, support, or assume liability in any way for any staff member of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District who takes students on trips not approved by the Board, the Superintendent, or the Superintendent's designee.

Non-sanctioned trips or events cannot require student attendance, and no attendance credit can be given for participation in the trip or event. All such trips and events, including planning, organization, and promotion, must take place during non-school hours.

Reference: Administrative Regulation 6560.2, Extended Field Trips; Board

Policy 4222, Code of Ethics of the Teaching Profession

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