Helena Public Schools **3105**

STUDENTS

Student Use of Buildings – Equal Access

Non curriculum-related secondary school student organizations may conduct meetings on school premises without intervention on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the meeting. If the meeting is student-initiated and not a part of a school sponsored activity, it must be conducted according to the following guidelines:

- The meeting is voluntary and student initiated;
- There is no sponsorship of the meeting by the school, the government, or its agents or employees;
- The meeting must occur during non-instructional time on regular school days;
- Employees or agents of the school or government are present only in a non-participatory capacity;
- The meeting does not materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school; and
- Non-school persons may not direct, conduct, control, or regularly attend activities.

Although the school assumes no sponsorship of these kinds of meetings, all meetings held on school premises must be scheduled and approved by the Principal.

Legal Reference: 20 U.S.C. 4071 Equal Access Act §20-5-203, MCA Secret Organization prohibited

Cross References:

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