

## ARTICLE V: STUDENTS

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## **POLICY 2-5.1 RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS BY THE SCHOOL BOARD**

It is the policy of the Hanover County School Board to recognize publicly at School Board meetings those students whose activities in any field or endeavor have reflected credit on themselves, their parents, the schools or the community. Citizens are encouraged to forward to the division superintendent's office the names of students whose accomplishments warrant such recognition. The division superintendent retains discretion in deciding which awards shall be recognized at School Board meetings.

The School Board approves of division-sponsored awards as is outlined in School Board Policy 6-4.7 and its accompanying regulations.

**LEGAL REFERENCE:** Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-70, 22.1-78, 22.1-253.13:1, 22.1-253.13:3, 22.1-253.13:4; Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia, 8 VAC 20-131-10, et seq.

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## **POLICY 2-5.2 PUBLIC PERFORMANCES BY STUDENTS**

### **Generally**

The Hanover County School Board encourages and the division superintendent or his designee may permit public performances by students under the auspices of a school-sponsored organization when such performances:

1. Fit the objective of the school.
2. Meet the needs and interests of the students.
3. Stimulate the students in improving their ability to perform.
4. Are appropriate to the participating age group.
5. Require no extraordinary training but are the natural outgrowth of the normal teaching sequence.
6. Do not encroach on the opportunities of professional performers or musicians.

### **Performing for Outside Sponsors**

Students performing under the auspices of a school-sponsored organization may perform for outside organizations where admission fees are charged only if the proceeds are used for charitable, educational or civic purposes. Costs associated with these performances shall be borne by the sponsoring organization.

### **Payment for Performances**

Payment for student performances is acceptable only in the form of a contribution to support the work of the performing school-sponsored organization.

### **Supervision and Liability**

Performing students shall be supervised by adults under the direction of the school. Liability protection is to be provided by the sponsor.

### **Political Rallies**

The School Board does not believe it advisable to use public school musical organizations for local political rallies. The organizations may be used to honor the position represented by certain high public office or to honor visiting dignitaries to the district.

**LEGAL REFERENCE:** Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-70, 22.1-78, 22.1-278.3.

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### **POLICY 2-5.3 CONTESTS FOR STUDENTS**

Contests or other activities involving awards to students and/or their schools by agencies outside the schools shall be permitted only with the approval of the division superintendent or his designee. The division superintendent shall approve no contest or activity whose sole purpose is commercial. Contest rules shall be clear, the conditions fair and the publicity in good taste.

Student participation in contests shall be voluntary, and no compulsory fees shall be charged the students for participation. No one may be excluded from an approved contest for discriminatory reasons as defined by applicable law. Contests that are conducted in the schools and whose purpose is to raise funds shall be regulated under School Board Policy 2-2.3.

**LEGAL REFERENCE:** Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-70, 22.1-78.

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### **POLICY 2-5.4 FUNDRAISING BY STUDENTS**

#### **Generally**

In general, the Hanover County School Board does not desire to overburden parents or local merchants with the support of special activities, nor does the School Board wish to have students in competition with local merchants. The School Board believes that fundraising should not endanger the safety of students in the school division. The division superintendent or his designee may establish and from time-to-time revise regulations necessary to effect the purpose of this Policy.

#### **Elementary Schools**

Fundraising activities to benefit Hanover County public elementary schools which involve students in door-to-door solicitations are prohibited. All other fundraising activities shall be approved by the division superintendent or his designee. Elementary schools shall be limited to one fundraising activity per school year which involves selling to the community.

Fundraising activities conducted at public schools which bring students, parents, and other citizens to the school (examples: dinners, field days, fun fairs, drama productions, and musicals) are encouraged.

#### **Secondary Schools**

Fundraising activities to benefit Hanover County public secondary schools which do not require students going into the community shall be permitted upon authorization by the principal. Fundraising activities which involve students selling to the community on a door-to-door basis shall be approved by the division superintendent or his designee.

**LEGAL REFERENCE:** Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-70, 22.1-78.

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## ACCOMPANYING REGULATION

### REGULATION 2-5.4 FUNDRAISING BY STUDENTS

#### Generally

Hanover County School Board policy dictates that student participation in fundraising activities be limited. When students are involved in fundraising activities, the activities should be educational in nature and enhance their overall development as productive citizens.

All requests to participate in fundraising activities must be submitted on an appropriate form to the division superintendent or his designee before the activity is announced or initiated.

#### Guidelines

##### Elementary

1. Door to door solicitation by elementary students is prohibited.
2. One fundraising activity per school year which involves selling to the community will be permitted.
3. All fundraising activities which involve students selling in the community shall be approved by the division superintendent or his designee.
4. Only fundraising projects which have educational justification will be given consideration for approval.
5. Tickets may be sold for scheduled athletic events, school plays, musical performances and dinners.
6. Programs involving students, parents and citizens such as dinners, productions or fairs are encouraged.

##### Secondary

1. All fundraising activities which involve students selling in the community shall be approved by the division superintendent or his designee.
2. The principal shall approve all fundraisers which take place at school and involve students only.
3. Only fundraising projects which have an educational justification will be given consideration for approval.
4. Tickets may be sold for scheduled athletic events, school plays, musical performances and dinners.
5. Programs involving students, parents and citizens such as dinners, productions or fairs are encouraged.

Hanover County School Board  
Ashland Virginia

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY REQUEST FORM

GROUP REQUESTING \_\_\_\_\_

PURPOSE OF ACTIVITY \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ACTIVITY – Explain

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SCHOOL INVOLVED \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL PERSONNEL INVOLVED (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF ACTIVITY \_\_\_\_\_

TIME OF ACTIVITY \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Requested By \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signature

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**PRINCIPAL'S RECOMMENDATION AND SIGNATURE:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature  
Date

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 Approved     Disapproved

\_\_\_\_\_ Superintendent or Designee  
Date