

Office of the Deputy Superintendent

Policy 9030 School-Sponsored Publications and Productions

To: All Staff

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**Deputy Superintendent** 

On July 13, 2023, the Board of Education adopted revisions to Policy 9030 School-Sponsored Publications and Productions. Revisions to the policy include:

- Content or activity of a school-sponsored publication or production may be disapproved if it might reasonably be perceived to advocate intolerance or illegal or prohibited activities, including alcohol, drug, or tobacco use, violence and discrimination.
- School administrators have the responsibility of providing justification for any action taken to restrict publication of student writing and productions.
- Advisors/sponsors may not be dismissed, suspended, disciplined, reassigned, transferred or otherwise retaliated against for acting to protect a student for exercising freedom of expression.

Revisions to the implementation procedures include:

• Advisors/sponsors and principal/designees are responsible for ensuring that expenses for school-sponsored publications and productions are covered in the budget.

The changes are effective immediately. This policy and implementation procedures in their entirety can be accessed on <u>BoardDocs</u> and the <u>HCPSS website</u>.

Thank you for your attention to this update.

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