

POLICY RELATING TO COMMUNICATION/PUBLIC RELATIONS

DISTRIBUTION OF NOTICES BY STUDENTS

The Wachusett Regional School District shall permit the distribution of school-sponsored, PTO/PTA-sponsored and District related notices via the District's students. Such distribution may include notices from non-profit groups when they are related to school sponsored activities.

In addition, notices regarding Member Town events for children, such as recreation, sports, the library and the like, may be distributed via District students.

All notices to be distributed shall be approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

All materials disseminated by a non-school group should not be construed as being school sponsored or endorsed, nor shall the District be considered a partner or agent or otherwise responsible for the activities of the non-school group. The Superintendent may require that the non-school group provide a disclaimer of District sponsorship of its material.

A non-school group's material should not be distributed to students during instructional time and, if possible, should not be intermingled with official school notices. Students should not be compelled to take home or read any such materials.

No materials involving solicitation, proselytizing, or for-profit activities shall be accepted for distribution. School newsletters and notices to parents may not publicize non-school groups or recruit new members for such groups. No notices from private groups will be accepted except as specified above.

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