BP 5550 Expressive Activities (formerly Speech: Time, Place and Manner)

Reference: *Education Code Section 76120*

The Board of Trustees values the free exchange of ideas and expressive activity on campus, and seeks to foster and protect the rights of all persons to exercise the constitutional rights protected under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 2 of the California Constitution. The Superintendent/President shall enact such administrative procedures as are necessary to reasonably regulate the time, place and manner of the exercise of free expression at Copper Mountain College.

The administrative procedures promulgated by the Superintendent/President shall not prohibit the right of students to exercise free expression, including but not limited to the use of bulletin boards designated for such use, the distribution of printed materials or petitions, and the wearing of buttons, badges, or other insignia. Students shall be free to exercise their rights of free expression within the bounds of protection of the First Amendment or California Constitution.

Speech shall be prohibited that is obscene, libelous, or slanderous according to current legal standards, or which so incites others to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on district property or the violation of lawful community college or district regulations, policies, or procedures, or the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the district.

This policy and all implementing regulations regarding speech or other expressive activity shall be applied equitably and fairly. Except for the limitations described above, the district shall place no restrictions *on the basis of content* on any person, organization or group.

See Administrative Procedures [#5550]

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