I. Policy Statement

The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) recognizes the need for an appropriate means to inform students, staff and parents about school and community activities and events that neither unduly burdens the school staff nor disrupts the learning environment. The Board also recognizes its responsibility to establish criteria for the dissemination of these materials in order to provide a learning environment that is free from disruption.

II. Guidelines

The distribution of materials and announcements in or from schools and offices shall be limited to materials published by federal, state[,] and local governmental entities, nationally affiliated parent-teacher associations, booster clubs affiliated with a Baltimore County Public School (BCPS), established school-sponsored business partnerships and the BCPS Education Foundation. Approval to disseminate or display materials in a Baltimore County Public School shall not imply Board or school system endorsement of the organization or the information it disseminates.

III. Implementation

The Board directs the Superintendent to implement this policy.

Legal Requirement:  Child Evangelism Fellowship of Maryland v. Montgomery County Public Schools, 457 F.3d 376 (4th Cir. 2006)

Related Policies:  Board of Education Policy 1210, Relationship with Parent-Teacher (Student) Associations
Board of Education Policy 1300, Use of School Facilities
Board of Education Policy 3160, Review and Approval of School-Sponsored Activities
Board of Education Policy 8363, Conflict of Interest – Prohibited Conduct
POLICY 2361

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