

# Giles County Board of Education

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1 **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

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3 Employees have a right to express their views on any issue, but must in each case make clear that the  
4 view expressed is not the official view of the Board or school system.

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6 **POLITICAL ACTIVITIES**

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8 Employees may, on their own time, campaign for or against any candidate or referendum, but they shall  
9 not use the schools, the classroom or system position for political forum nor engage in any political  
10 promotion or solicitation during school hours.

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12 Any employee who intends to campaign for an elective public office which infringes upon a contracted  
13 agreement shall present a proposed solution to the Board for consideration. The essential element to  
14 be determined by the Board is whether the activities proposed by the employee are consistent with his  
15 services to the school system and the best interests of education.

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17 The following activities upon property under the jurisdiction of the Board are specifically prohibited:

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19 1. Posting of political circulars or petitions on bulletin boards.  
20 2. The distribution, to employees, whether by placing in their school mailboxes, or other-  
21 wise, of political circulars or petitions, United States mail being excepted.  
22 3. The collection of and/or solicitation for campaign funds.  
23 4. Solicitation for campaign workers.  
24 5. The use of pupils for writing or addressing political materials or the distribution of  
25 such materials to pupils.  
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Cross References:

34 Board-Community Relations 1.500  
35 News Releases, News Conferences & Interviews 1.503  
36 Advertising & Distribution of Materials in Schools 1.806  
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