

# Obion County Board of Education

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## 1 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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

4 Employees may, on their own time, campaign for or against any candidate or referendum, but are  
5 prohibited from using system owned property to engage in political activity. System owned property  
6 includes, but is not limited to: all buildings, signage, message boards, telephonic equipment, electronic  
7 equipment, and email accounts. Employees shall not use audio or video messages to engage in any  
8 political promotion or solicitation during school hours.

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

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### Legal References

1. TCA 49-6-2009

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### Cross References

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