Hancock County Board of Education Monitoring: Review: Annually, in May Descriptor Term: Student Publications Rescinds: Student Publications Rescinds: Issued Date: 08/06/15 Rescinds: Issued:

1 STUDENT RIGHTS

- 2 A student shall be allowed to responsibly express and disseminate his/her views in writing.
- 3 Any student may submit articles and editorials for school-sponsored publications. The procedure for submission
- 4 of materials shall be published and distributed to all students.

5 STANDARDS

- 6 School-sponsored publications shall adhere to commonly accepted community standards, and no printed
- 7 material may be distributed which:
- 8 1. Is obscene
- 9 2. Is libelous
- 3. May create a material and substantial disruption of the normal school activity or appropriate discipline in the school.

12 CONTROL AND SUPERVISION

- 13 Student publications shall be under the control of the principal. Each school shall have a faculty sponsor who
- reviews all publications proposed to be distributed in the school by a student or school group.

15 DISTRIBUTION

- 16 School authorities shall regulate the time, manner, place and duration for the distribution of publications on
- 17 school grounds.

18 APPEALS

- 19 If a request for distributing any portion of a student publication is denied by the faculty sponsor, the decision
- 20 may be appealed to the principal, then to the director of schools, and ultimately to the Board.

Cross References

Use of Copyrighted Materials 4.404 Use of the Internet 4.406 Web Pages 4.407 Controversial Issues 4.800