COMMUNITY RELATIONS BUSINESS, CIVIC, AND YOUTH GROUPS

GKE ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

Patriotic Societies Access to Students

"Patriotic society" means a youth membership organization listed in Title 36 of the United States Code with an educational purpose that promotes patriotism and civic involvement.

According to Texas Education Code section 25.0822(b), at the beginning of each school year, the board shall adopt a policy to allow the principal of a campus to provide representatives of a patriotic society with the opportunity to speak to students during regular school hours about membership in the society and the ways in which membership may promote a student's educational interest and level of civic involvement, leading to the student's increased potential for self-improvement and ability to contribute to improving the student's school and community.

A campus principal shall have the authority to offer a representative of a patriotic society an opportunity to speak to students during regular school hours about membership in the society. The principal shall have discretion over the date and time of such visits and is authorized to limit this opportunity to a single school day and to limit a presentation by a patriotic society to ten minutes in length.

A principal has discretion over the specific date and time of the opportunity required to be provided, however, the principal must limit the opportunity provided to a specific patriotic society to a single school day; and any presentation made to students as a result of the opportunity may not exceed 10 minutes in length.

No society can have more than one ten minute presentation per school year.

The campus is not required to send invitation on behalf of the patriotic society. If a patriotic society would like to promote a scheduled presentation, they may submit an electronic flyer for approval through Peachjar. Information on the e-flyer process can be found on the district website or at www.peachjar.com.

Patriotic societies are listed in <u>Title 36 of the United States Code</u>.

Please contact the Communications department at 817-232-0880 if you have any questions.