

POLICY

Board of Education Las Cruces Public Schools

Related Entries: JICE, JICEA, [JJA-RA](#), KHC
Responsible Office: Chief Academic Officer

Equal Access for Student Groups

I. PURPOSE

To establish guidelines for schools to allow for an open forum or meeting place for non-curriculum-related student groups to meet on school premises during instructional or non-instructional time

II. POSITION

The Board does not require each school in the district to create an open forum or meeting place for non-curriculum-related student groups to meet on school premises during instructional or non-instructional time. However, student-initiated religious, political, and philosophical groups as provided in the Equal Access Act of 1984, 20 U.S.C. 4071, et seq. and patriotic groups as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 7905 of the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act, shall have the right to meet on the same basis and are subject to the same controls as any other student-initiated non-curriculum group.

Subject to reasonable control of the time, place, and manner of the speech, the school shall not use the content of student speech to discriminate against those students requesting access to the forum if an open forum is provided other students.

III. REVIEW AND REPORTING

This policy will be reviewed in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

Policy History: Formerly Policy 338.1-338.3, Revised 6.20.06



Board of Education, President

June 20, 2006

Date