1325.1: COMMUNITY CONTESTS FOR STUDENTS

I. To be approved by the Superintendent or designee, any contest activity must be:

1. Appropriate to the age group for which it is conducted;
2. Designed to stimulate original, individual or group work by the contestants;
3. Of a type which can be undertaken as a supplement to, rather than a substitute for, regular school work;
4. An enhancement to the objectives of the educational program.

II. The contest must not promote direct sales of commercial materials or services. It will be the responsibility of the building principal to see that announcements of contests are posted and information regarding contests is distributed to the appropriate teachers.

1. Teachers may not require student participation, nor devote undue class time to promotion of any contest.
2. Students should not use school time to work on contests, unless the activities involved can be related to the instructional program and have educational value.
3. Students shall not be excluded from competition because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, marital status or disability, or required to pay an entry fee or purchase materials in order to participate.

III. Selection of contest winners is the responsibility of the sponsoring organization.

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