

# Dyer County Board of Education

Descriptor Term:

**Student Equal Access  
(Limited Public Forum)**

Descriptor Code:

**EBHA**

Board Approved:

**8/7/18**

Rescinds:

**EBHA**

Board Approved:

**6/5/18**

1 Before the beginning or after the end of a school day, students in grades 9 through 12 may initiate  
2 noncurriculum-related meetings regardless of the religious or political nature of the meetings.<sup>1</sup>

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4 No funds shall be expended by the school for any such meeting beyond the incidental cost associated  
5 with providing a meeting space. Groups meeting under this policy shall be required to pay a reasonable  
6 fee for compensating school personnel in the supervision of the activity.

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8 No student may be compelled to attend or participate in a meeting under this policy.

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10 A student or a group of students who wish to conduct a meeting under this policy must file an Equal  
11 Access application with the principal at least three days prior to the proposed date.

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13 The principal shall approve the meeting if from the application he/she determines that:

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15 1. The meeting is voluntary and student-initiated;  
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17 2. There is not sponsorship of the meeting or its content by the school, the government or its  
18 agents or employees;  
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20 3. The meeting will not materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of the  
21 school's educational activities or conflict with other previously scheduled meetings;  
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23 4. Employees of the district are to be present in a non-participatory capacity; and  
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25 5. Non-school persons will not direct, control or regularly attend.

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Legal Reference:

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36 1. P.L. 98-377, Title VIII, August 11, 1984.  
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