

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

Related Entries: JCL-RA

Responsible Office: OFFICE OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE, DIVISION OF STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

A. PURPOSE

To provide guidance regarding student organizations that desire to conduct meetings or activities in Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS).

B. ISSUE

Student organizations can provide an enriching and beneficial experience for students. However, guidance is needed for such organizations and meetings.

C. POSITION

1. Student organizations, including clubs, that seek to conduct activities in AACPS shall be permitted to conduct such activities only if authorized to do so.
2. The *Equal Access Act* requires that AACPS grant equal access to student organizations who wish to meet for religious, political, or philosophical purposes, if the school allows other types of non-curriculum related student organizations to meet.

D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

Policy History: Adopted on 01/18/17; Revised 07/12/23

Note Previous Policy History: Replaces Policy 902.12, adopted 03/01/72 and revised 05/20/91

Legal References: 20 U.S.C. §4071, Section 7-108 of the Education Article, Code of Maryland Regulations 13A.08.01.09