

PUBLIC SOLICITATIONS IN THE SCHOOLS

The North Middlesex Regional School Committee will place limits on commercial activities and fund raising activities in the schools by non-school groups for the following reasons:

1. The North Middlesex Regional School District should provide students, parents, and employees some measure of protection from exploitation by commercial and charitable fund-raising organizations.
2. The school district should not give the public the impression of generally endorsing or sanctioning commercial and fund raising activities by non-school groups.
3. Commercial and fund-raising activities may disrupt school routine and cause loss of instructional time.

Following these guiding statements, the Superintendent and Principals may permit occasional commercial or fund-raising activities related to the objectives of the schools with the following exceptions:

1. No direct solicitation of students or employees by non-school groups may take place without School Committee approval.
2. School Committee approval is required for any new groups wishing to distribute commercial or fund raising literature. Once approved, the Superintendent has the authority for individual flyer approval. The Supt. Office shall keep a list of approved groups.

For the purposes of this policy, local PTA and PTO groups and groups representing students of the school district will be considered "school groups" and will be governed by the North Middlesex Regional School Committee's policy on gifts/solicitations.

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CROSS REFS.: GBEC, Gifts and Solicitations
JJE, Student Fund Raising Activities
KHB, Advertising in the School