Board Policy JHC: Student Organizations

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The Board of Public Education for Bibb County (Board) recognizes that extracurricular activities are an important part of school culture. School clubs and student organizations offer students an opportunity to learn and expand their knowledge base and to develop leadership skills and skills for working within a group.

Information regarding school clubs and organizations is published and distributed annually as part of the Student Code of Conduct. Students are encouraged to participate in clubs, organizations, and teams operating in the schools. If a new club or organization is started during the school year, students may participate with the written consent of a parent or guardian. Opportunities shall be provided for all students to develop good character and leadership ability. No club or organization shall deny membership on the basis of age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, color, religion, national origin, disability, genetic information, military service, veteran status, or any other applicable legally protected status.

Bibb County School District ("District") will not deny equal access or a fair opportunity to, or discriminate against any students enrolled in its schools who wish to conduct a meeting on the basis of the political, philosophical, ideological, or other content of such speech at such meetings, provided such speech does not involve violence, threats, or harassment, and does not infringe on the constitutional rights of other students. ~~.~~

The Superintendent or designee is authorized to develop a regulation regarding student organizations.