

Student and Staff Freedom of Speech Rights

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

U.S. Const. amend. I

Resources

Coercion, Conscience, and the First Amendment: A Legal Guide for Public Schools on the Regulation of Student and Employee Speech, National School Boards Association, https://cdn-files.nsba.org/s3fs-public/reports/First_Amendment_Guide-2018.pdf?KgOvuu2Dp8KvWkiwF_I9hHhv4wsUROez.

Navigating Student Walkouts & Mass Protests, National School Boards Association, https://cdn-files.nsba.org/s3fs-public/reports/Student_Protest_Guidance_Report.pdf?uDSiFTRFtDrCDS1Om9rXvsD7CSUR27OA.

OSBA Student Protest Guidance, <http://www.osba.org/Resources/Article/Legal/20180228-Student-Protest.aspx>.

Restrictions on Political Campaigning by Public Employees – ORS 260.432, Oregon Secretary of State, <https://www.oregon.gov/ODA/shared/Documents/Publications/NaturalResources/RestrictionsonCampaigningbyPublicEmployees.pdf>.

ORS 260.432—Restrictions on Political Campaigning for Public Employees, Oregon Secretary of State, https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/documents/260.432_quickref.pdf.

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