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The Orange Board of Education recognizes the educational value from student participation in civic and community affairs. Teachers are encouraged to prepare students for public performances which contribute to student education when they don't interfere unduly with other educational activities or programs.

School groups may, as authorized by Superintendent's regulations, participate in local public events.

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The Orange Board of Education recognizes that worthy educational values may be served by student participation in civic and community affairs when such performances contribute to the educational process and objectives of that particular class and when they do not interfere with other classes or activities within the school. Student participation in appropriate civic and community affairs is encouraged. School groups and individuals may, with the permission of Principals, participate in local public events which fall into the following classifications:

1. Events sponsored by the schools. Educational events in which the school serves as host shall have priority.
2. Community functions organized in the interests of the school, such as those originated by the PTA/PTO or other parent group.
3. Noncommercial civic occasions of community, county, state, or national interest of sufficient breadth to enlist general interest and cooperation.
4. Events that are primarily patriotic in nature, such as Veteran's Day.
5. Charity benefit activities; provided such activities have been specifically approved in advance by the Superintendent of Schools.
6. Programs sponsored by established character-building agencies, or programs sponsored jointly by the school system and mass communication media, of a public nature.

School groups may not participate in events in any of the following classifications: In questionable cases such requests for participation shall be referred to the Superintendent of Schools for review and approval:

1. Events that are for the purpose of private gain or for the advertising of any commercial project or product. A school name, the names of school-sponsored groups or school equipment shall not be exploited in commercial events.
2. Events that are for the furtherance of any politically partisan interest. In questionable cases the matter shall be referred to the Board of Education.
3. Events that further any specific religious concern.
4. Events which cause undue interference with regular school programs, or which cause excessive absences from rehearsals or preparation.

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