



# POLICY

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## STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

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Students will enjoy the constitutional right of freedom of expression. They will have the right to express their views in speech, writing, or through any other medium or form of expression within limitations comparable to those imposed on all citizens but specifically designed for an educational setting.

All student publications will be expected to comply with the rules for responsible journalism. This means that libelous statements, unfounded charges and accusations, obscenity, defamation of persons, false statements, material advocating racial or religious prejudice, hatred, violence, the breaking of laws and school regulations, or materials designed to disrupt the educational process will not be permitted.

Review of content prior to publication is not censorship, but part of the educational process as this concerns student publications. It can be pointed out to students, as it frequently is to journalists, that a publisher (in this case, the College) enjoys freedom to determine what it will and will not publish.

### Distribution of Literature

Students have a right to the distribution of literature on MTC grounds and in MTC buildings, except that the Director of Student Success may prohibit the distribution in school buildings of a specific issue or publication if it does not comply with rules for responsible journalism. The Director may require that no literature be distributed unless a copy is submitted in advance.

The time, place, and manner of distribution of literature will be reasonably regulated by the Director of Student Success.