

COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICIES

## **BP 5550** Speech: Time, Place and Manner

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Reference:

Education Code Sections 76120, 666301

Compton Community College District welcomes and supports the open and free exchange of ideas and philosophies in a civil and respectful manner consistent with constitutional principals rooted in the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America. Simultaneously, the District recognizes that its facilities and grounds are designated as non-public forums except for those areas which are designated as free speech area(s) (limited public forums areas). The CEO shall establish administrative regulations as are necessary to reasonably regulate the time, place and manner of the exercise of free expression in the free speech area(s) and which are supportive of the academic and social environment of the District.

The administrative procedures promulgated by the CEO shall not prohibit the right of students to exercise free expression, including but not limited to the use of bulletin boards designated for such use, the distribution of printed materials or petitions in those parts of the college designated as free speech areas generally available to students and the community, and the wearing of buttons, badges, or other insignia. Students shall be free to exercise their rights of free expression, subject to the requirements of this policy.

Visitor use of areas not designated for free speech activities is subject to the Civic Center Permit rules set forth Board Policy BP 6700, Civic Center and Other Facilities and its related regulations and procedure.

Equal access and equal opportunity shall be provided to all racial, religious, political, and social groups.

Speech shall be prohibited that is defamatory or obscene according to current legal standards or which so incites others as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on district property or the violation of district policies or procedures, or the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the District.

The regulation of hate violence is permissible so long as the regulation conforms to the requirements of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America and Section 2 of Article 1 of the California State Constitution. Students may be disciplined for harassment, threats, intimidation, or hate violence and visitors may be directed to leave District facilities unless such speech is constitutionally protected.

Applicable Administrative Regulation AR 5551 Speech: Time, Place and Manner