

Board Policy 3900
Speech: Time, Place, and Manner

Reference: Education Code Sections 66031 and 76120

Students, employees, and members of the public shall be free to exercise their rights of free expression, subject to the requirements of this policy.

The colleges of the District have areas that are designated public forums available for the exercise of expression by students, employees, and members of the public. The Chancellor shall enact such administrative procedures as are necessary to reasonably regulate the time, place, and manner of the exercise of free expression in the designated public forums.

The administrative procedures promulgated by the Chancellor shall not prohibit the right of students to exercise free expression, including, but not limited to, the use of bulletin boards, the distribution of printed materials or petitions, and the wearing of buttons, badges, or other insignia.

Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the regulation of hate violence directed at students in a manner that denies their full participation in the educational process (Education Code Section 66301(e)), so long as the regulation conforms to the requirements of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, and of Section 2 of Article 1 of the California Constitution. Students may be disciplined for harassment, threats, or intimidation unless such speech is constitutionally protected.

See Administrative Procedure 3900 and Board Policy/Administrative Procedure 6700