

## STUDENT PUBLICATIONS POLICY - BP 3.6

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### **Student Publications**

The Board recognizes that print and electronic media communications help to develop the skills needed for students to exercise critical thinking, good judgment, and accuracy. Therefore, the Board authorizes the use of limited student activity fees and College funds for newspapers, newsletters, websites, blogs, and other print or electronic means of written communication published by officially recognized student organizations.

The President shall implement a student publications procedure consistent with this Policy that includes at least the following requirements for student publications:

1. Only publications published by officially recognized student organizations may receive student activity fees or College funding support. No publication is entitled by right to ongoing student activity fee or College funding support. The student activity fees or College funding support may be withheld or terminated by the College at any time such funds are no longer available, the student organization is no longer officially recognized, or other reason determined by the President to be in the best interest of the College; provided, however, the College shall not make funding decisions that infringe on students' first amendment rights.
2. The student publication is editorially independent from the College. Each edition of the publication (whether in paper or electronic form) must contain a disclaimer substantially similar to: "The views expressed in this publication [or on this website, etc.] are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of Craven Community College. Craven Community College does not endorse this publication."
3. The publication does not use the College's logos or the College's trademarks unless authorized by the President. The President may withdraw authorization at any time.
4. The publication is authored, edited, and prepared by enrolled full-time students at the College.
5. The student organization's advisor participates in the publication process as a resource for the students. Although the advisor must express his or her opinion about the quality and content of a publication, the advisor may not require the removal of any lawful editorial content from the publication.

6. The publication must publish in unedited form, upon the President's request, any College response to content contained in the publication.
7. The publication does not violate the College's Code of Conduct or otherwise contain any content that is prohibited by State or federal law.
8. The publication does not violate federal copyright laws.

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