

STEM MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL POLICY NO. __

Right of Students to Organize Religious Groups and Activities

I. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that STEM Middle and High School and its employees comply with the Equal Access Act, 20 U.S.C. section 4071 et seq., and that the School has a policy on viewpoint neutrality to fully implement the School's Equal Access to Facilities Policy.

II. POLICY ON STUDENT FREEDOM TO ORGANIZE RELIGIOUS GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES.

Students may organize prayer groups, religious clubs, "see you at the pole" gatherings, and other religious gatherings before, during, and after school to the same extent that students are permitted to organize other noncurricular student activities and groups. Religious groups shall be given the same access to school facilities and properties for assembling as is given to other noncurricular groups, without discrimination based on the religious content of the group's expression. Where deemed appropriate or necessary, the School may disclaim sponsorship of noncurricular groups and events, provided the disclaimer is administered in a manner that does not discriminate on the basis of viewpoint.

Approved by STEM School Board on _____.

STEM Middle and High School

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Board Secretary