



**NORTH ALLEGHENY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>PROGRAMS</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>CURRENT EVENTS</b>
<b>ADOPTED:</b>	<b>5/23/18</b>
<b>REVISED:</b>	

**119 – CURRENT EVENTS**

**Section 1. Purpose**

The Board believes that consideration of current events has a legitimate place in the educational program of the schools. Properly introduced and conducted, a discussion of such events can help students learn to identify important issues, explore fully and fairly all sides of an issue, weigh carefully the values and factors involved, and develop skills for formulating and evaluating positions.

**Section 2. Definition**

For purposes of this policy, a **current event** is a topic or an important event that is happening now or something that is up to date. This may include present-time news events concerning notable people, places, things, and ideas. The current event may not be expressly enumerated in the unit—based on curriculum.

**Section 3. Authority**

The Board shall permit the introduction and proper educational use of current events, provided that their use in the instructional program:

- a. Is related to the course's instructional goals and the students' level of maturity.
- b. Does not tend to indoctrinate or persuade students to a particular point of view.
- c. Encourages balanced presentations and open-mindedness.
- d. Is conducted in a spirit of scholarly inquiry.

**References:**

School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510  
 State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.4  
 Board Policy – 000

Title 22  
 Sec. 4.4