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Political Activities of School Employees

School employees are encouraged to assume full responsibilities as citizens of a democracy.

Performance of Civic Duties by Employees

Employees should perform their civic duties commensurate with democratic ideals. These duties may include:

- voting and taking an interest in current social, political, and economic issues.
- exercising democratic rights and responsibilities shared with other citizens. These rights and privileges may include:
 - A. Electioneering for candidates.
 - B. Accepting positions in political campaigns.
 - C. Holding an office in a political party organization.
 - D. Serving as a delegate to political party conventions.

Individual Responsibility in Participating in Political Functions

Employees engaging in political activities shall:

- 1. Realize their obligation to their work as educators.
- 2. Help others understand that employee opinions and actions are expressed as individuals and not as representatives of the educational institution.
- 3. Engage in no political activities on school premises during school hours.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

7-421 Political activities of classified municipal employees

7-421a Inconsistent statutory or charter provisions

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Legal Reference:

Connecticut General Statutes (continued)

7-421b Limitation on restrictions of political rights of

municipal employees

10-156e Employees of Boards of education permitted to serve

as elected officials; exception

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