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Karns Community Fair Political Activity Guidelines

Due to concerns raised over politically-oriented activity at previous events, the Karns Fair Board has asked for and received clarification from Knox County Schools Administration and the Knox County Law Director regarding acceptable political activity on school grounds during our events. To put it simply, campaigning for votes or seeking election support as a candidate on school grounds is not allowed per Knox County Schools policy.

We welcome, and are grateful for, political candidates, political office holders and political parties who participate in the Karns Fair as exhibitors to increase their visibility and offering access to the public; however, any material or activity that solicits votes is not allowed. Language such as “vote”, “elect”, “for”, “choose” all indicate a solicitation of votes and will not be allowed on school grounds per Knox County Schools policy.

We understand that this may be a challenging circumstance for candidates. Your participation in the Karns Fair may promote your name recognition but cannot be identified as seeking support for an elected office position. Forms of participation in the fair include purchasing an Exhibitor table and/or purchasing sponsorships. Sponsorships provide you with logo/name visibility on Karns Fair banners and pre-fair promotions.

Thank you very much for your interest in participating with the events of the Karns Fair Board and for adhering to this Knox County Schools policy. We highly value our excellent relationship with Knox County Schools and we will work to preserve it.

Karns Fair Board