

Northern Marianas College  
**Board of Regents Policy**

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	College Operations	<b>EFFECTIVE:</b>	<b>August 09, 2013</b>
<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>5001</b>	<b>POLICY NAME:</b>	Political Activities
<b>ACCJC Standard/Policy:</b>	<b>II.A.7</b>		
<p>This policy does not bar anyone from active independent participation in political campaigns on behalf of candidates of his or her choice or in the advancement of his or her political beliefs or policy concerns outside the institution. In fact, active participation by all Americans in the political process which is fundamental to the democratic way of life is encouraged.</p> <p>Northern Marianas College must always be a place of learning, a place for discussion, a place to hear differing opinions, a place for dissent, but such dissent must be made in a rational, lawful and peaceful manner. It must be made with due respect for the rights of others, and without any disruption to the College mission, schedule, or student learning activities. While the Board protects the rights of all those who choose to dissent in peaceful and lawful ways, it must defend, with all the power at its command, the rights of others when any actions by dissenters are clearly disruptive of the work and program of the College.</p>			
<b>HISTORY:</b>	Replaces Board Policy Human Resources Part VII.F Political Activities as amended on 03/11/2011.		