

PURPOSE: To modernize the MSMS Student Handbook regarding signage and posters by removing outdated approval processes and aligning policy with current campus practices.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE SENATE:

SECTION ONE (REASONING):

The current requirements for campaign signs, specifically the physical stamping of posters and the size restrictions, are not enforced and are outdated. This bill aims to simplify the campaigning process by removing these obsolete hurdles while maintaining school-appropriate standards, codifying current practice.

SECTION TWO (SPECIFIC CHANGE):

On page 63 of the Student Handbook (PDF page 68), under the section “POSTERS / SIGNS,” the following would be changed to:

*The only exception to this policy is for posters for SGA-sponsored elections, including class officer elections. SGA signs may be posted without the Director for Academic Affairs’ initials **or a sponsor’s stamp**, but must meet the following criteria:

- SGA signs may be posted during the duration of the campaign and must be removed by the student after the election.
- SGA signs **must be school-appropriate and** cannot be insulting to anyone.
- SGA signs may only be displayed on Hooper hallways. They cannot be posted on the glass or painted walls. **They can only be posted on the tiled walls and may not be posted with duct tape.**

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- Signs cannot be hung on or from the ceilings in the hall.
- The maximum size for signs is 11 inches by 14 inches.
- Students are limited to a total of 10 signs in ~~Hooper~~ **each academic buildings**. The 10 signs may be hand- or computer-generated ~~and must be stamped by the SGA sponsor before posting.~~
- The posting of signs in the Residence Halls must be approved by the Hall Director in each Hall.

Any SGA signs that do not meet the above criteria will be removed **by faculty, staff, or SGA Executive Officers**. Students failing to comply with this policy will be assigned a disciplinary consequence.