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7.6 CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES ON CAMPUS

The Board of Trustees of Joliet Junior College shall encourage the examination of issues in a climate of free discussion. However, this freedom may not be abused by the advocating of the overthrow of the government by force. We believe that a free society can remain free only if it guarantees those freedoms to its citizens. Therefore, Joliet Junior College, as a service institution democratically established to provide education for its citizens, must protect and promote those freedoms promulgated by the Constitution.

The Board policy is based on the following philosophical principles:

1. Citizens in a free society have the right to discuss, to debate and to disagree constructively.
2. An educated citizenry, free to examine all the evidence, can best preserve the valuable heritage of democracy in America.
3. One of the educational goals of Joliet Junior College will be to promote healthy discussion of ideas.
4. The way of life in the United States is attractive enough and our institutions are strong enough philosophically to withstand comparison to other cultures and ideas.
5. Truth will prevail in the marketplace of ideas.