

Instruction

EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Governing Board recognizes that extracurricular and cocurricular activities enrich the educational and social development and experiences of students. The District shall encourage and support student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program.

No District student's participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be required or refused based on the student's gender, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability. Requirements for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that are essential to the success of the activity.

Any complaint regarding the District's extracurricular and cocurricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

No student shall be prohibited from participating in extracurricular and cocurricular activities related to the educational program because of inability to pay fees associated with the activity.

Eligibility Requirements

The Board of Education desires to balance the academic needs of students with the benefits they receive from participating in school activities. To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students in grades 6 through 8 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period. In implementing this policy, the Superintendent or designee shall provide the necessary assistance to help ineligible students achieve the academic standards required by law.

Any decision regarding the eligibility of any child in foster care or a child of a military family for extracurricular or cocurricular activities shall be made by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Education Code 48850 and 49701.

Student Conduct

When attending or participating in extracurricular and/or cocurricular activities on or off campus, District students are subject to District policies and regulations relating to student conduct. Students who violate District policies and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, or denial of participation in extracurricular or cocurricular activities in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. When appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement.

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Annual Policy Review

The Board shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations.

Legal Reference: Education Code
35145 Public meetings
35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements;
matters subject to regulation
35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia
48930-48938 Student organizations
35181 Students' responsibilities
48850 Participation of foster youth in extracurricular activities and
interscholastic sports
49700-49704 Education of children of military families
Code of Regulations, Title 5
350 Fees not permitted
4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary
education programs receiving state financial assistance
5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils
United States Code, Title 42
2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments
Court Decisions
Hartzell v. Connell, (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899
Management Resources:
CDE Legal Advisories
001.90 Access to School-Related Activities and Events by
Disabled Students, LO: 3-0
409.87 Requirements for Pupil Participation in Extracurricular and
Cocurricular activities, AB 2613, CIL: 86/87-11
Web Sites
California Association of Directors of Activities:
<http://www.cada1.org>