

## INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES

The board recognizes the value of a program of interscholastic activities as an integral part of the total school experience to all students of the district and to the community. The program of interscholastic activities shall include all activities relating to competitive sport contests, games or events, or exhibitions involving individual students or teams of students of this district when such events occur between separate schools within this district or with any schools outside this district. The board expects that:

- A. All interscholastic activities and events shall be in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA). The district shall not be responsible or liable for nonschool-sponsored programs or for programs that are organized, promoted or participated in by staff members without school approval. The district shall not be responsible for or control and incur liability for summer and/or out-of-season activities unless specifically sponsored by the school district. The superintendent shall establish rules defining the circumstances under which school facilities may be used and under which announcements of summer sports leagues and/or clinics may be channeled to students.
- B. An athletic coach must be properly trained and qualified for an assignment as described in the coach's job description. Each coach is required to maintain their WIAA coaching certification. Clock hours are available through the athletic office for attending meetings, conferences, clinics, etc.
- C. Each coach is required to have a current CPR/First Aid Card and WIAA Concussion Training. Classes for this purpose will be offered to each coach prior to the beginning of each season. Coaches may access that certification through other means ie. Fire Department, Red Cross, etc.
- D. Participants will be issued equipment that has been properly maintained and fitted.
- E. All facilities and equipment utilized in the interscholastic activity program, whether or not the property of the district, shall be inspected on a regular basis.
- F. Participants must meet all of the eligibility requirements outlined by South Kitsap School District and the WIAA.
- G. The board recognizes that certain risks are associated with participation in interscholastic sports. While the district will strive to prevent injuries and accidents to students, each participant and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) will be required to sign a statement which indicates that the parent(s) and the student acknowledge the risks of injuries resulting from such participation and give assurance that the student will follow the instructions of the coach.
- H. Each participant shall be required to furnish evidence of physical fitness prior to becoming a member of an interscholastic team. A written report shall be completed when a student is injured while participating in a school-supervised activity. A participant shall be free of injury and shall have fully recovered from illness before participating in any activity.
- I. Each student participating in interscholastic athletic activities is required to have or obtain medical insurance for expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained while participating in the extracurricular activity. Students shall provide evidence of coverage with a minimum

limit of \$25,000 in medical expenses or shall obtain such coverage through the insurance plan offered to all students participating in activities in the district. Student insurance is available through the district office or in individual school buildings.

The superintendent shall annually prepare, approve and present to the board for its consideration a program of interscholastic activities for the school year. The superintendent or designee shall prepare rules for the conduct of student activities including, but not limited to, use of alcoholic beverages; use of tobacco; use or possession of illegal chemical substances or opiates not prescribed by a physician; physical appearance; curfew; unsportsmanlike conduct; absence from practice; gambling; or any infraction of civil law. Rules and disciplinary actions related to rule violations shall be printed in a district activities and athletics handbook and distributed to each participant and his/her parents at the preseason parent meeting prior to the beginning of an interscholastic activity season.

Cross References:	Board Policy 2121	Substance Abuse Program
	3413	Student Immunization
	3414	Infectious Diseases
	3416	Medication at School
	3418	Emergency Treatment
	4260	Use of School Facilities
	6510	Safety
	6512	Infection Control Program
	WIAA Handbook	
Legal References:	RCW 28A.400.350	Liability, life, health, health care, accident, disability, and salary insurance authorized — Premiums
	RCW 28A.600.200	Interscholar athletic and other extra-curricular activities for students, regulation of — Delegation, conditions
	RCW 69.41.330	Public Warnings — School districts
	RCW 69.41.340	Student athletics

**Adoption Date: May 16, 2005**

**Revised: March 5, 2010**