

| <i>Policy</i> | <i>Title</i>                              | <i>Code</i> |
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|               | <b>SCHOOL-SPONSORED SOCIAL ACTIVITIES</b> | <b>JJB</b>  |

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School-sponsored social activities should be planned with all students in mind.

Those planning or sponsoring school-related social activities (e.g. dances, class trips, recreational events) must make reasonable efforts to ensure that these activities are age appropriate, enhance group interaction, foster friendships among students, and accommodate students with disabilities. In addition, school events should, by design, encourage attendance by groups of friends and as much as possible remove the pressure for students to attend as couples.

Social activities should be scheduled so that they are not disruptive to students' academic schedules and have minimal impact on their ability to learn.

Activities should be financially reasonable, understanding that there are some families who may find it difficult to pay for costly events or their associated expenses (clothing, transportation, etc.). Planners should be cautious in introducing sophisticated events to younger students as they may unwittingly escalate students' expectations for each successive event.

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