

## **STUDENT CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The Waunakee Community School District believes that the total education of the young people entrusted to it extends beyond the classroom. As such, the District encourages and supports co-curricular programs that will enhance the curricular programs, provide for student service and leadership, develop physical and artistic skills, and provide opportunities for group activities.

These programs shall provide students with the opportunity to develop social skills; promote participation; establish unity of purpose and teamwork; develop patience, tolerance, respect and leadership; learn the value of healthy competition and good sportsmanship; take part in performance activities that develop self esteem and self control; develop coordination and motor skills; cultural enrichment; and, provide service to the schools and community. These programs will help develop a positive school climate through activities that promote school spirit, unity, and a common identity.

The District will stress the opportunity for participation through the offering of a wide variety of co-curricular activities. However, the participation in certain activities may be restricted by a selection process based on individual skills or performance (drama activities, sports teams, etc.) and be governed by guidelines established by the Board of Education and administration.

The District shall encourage the full participation of kindergarten through eighth grade students, as well as high school students, in co-curricular and recreational programs and activities.

Students participating in co-curricular activities, including interscholastic programs, of such a nature that the students are representatives of the Waunakee Schools, shall be governed by a code of conduct approved by the Board of Education. All students participating in activities or events as representatives of the Waunakee Schools shall receive a copy of the code of conduct and shall sign a statement indicating that he/she understands the code and its conditions. The building principal shall be responsible for the enforcement of the provisions of the student code of conduct.

The District shall not discriminate in admission to or participation in, rules of behavior for or disciplinary action in any co-curricular program or activity or facilities usage because of the person's sex, race, national origin, religion, color, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap.

Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established complaint procedures.

This policy is to be reviewed annually as part of the Board's policy review process.

Legal Ref.: Sections 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes  
120.12(23)  
120.13(1)(a)  
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Cross Ref.: 411-Rule (1) Student Discrimination Complaint Procedures  
370-Rule (2), Co-Curricular Program Eligibility  
370-Rule (1), Co-Curricular Activity Size Limitations  
447.31 In-School Suspension  
881, Relations with Community (Wednesday Activities)

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