

Participation of Alternative Instruction Students

Bon Homme School District will permit alternative instruction students in Grades 6-8 to participate in Middle School extracurricular and co-curricular activities and alternative instruction students in Grades 9-12 to participate in interscholastic activities.

Nothing in this policy confers any vested right in any alternative instruction student wishing to participate in an interscholastic activity to be selected for competition in such activity.

As a condition, alternative instruction students must attend a minimum of two (2) academic class periods per day at Bon Homme School and maintain passing grades in both classes. One of the classes must be a core class (i.e. math, science, social studies, English) and credit must be granted for both classes. Middle school students will follow the procedures in the student handbook if they wish to participate on the high school team(s). A student must attend both class periods on the day of participation in an activity in order to participate.

Additional conditions the alternative instruction student must meet as a condition of participation:

1. Demonstrate annual compliance with Chapter 1, Part IV - Student Eligibility - and Chapter II, Part I - Further Eligibility for Athletic Contests - of the SDHSAA Eligibility Checklist for Alternative Instruction Students.
2. Provide annual documentation for the Application for Public School Exemption Certificate Request (SDCL 13-27-3) and nationally standardized achievement tests in grades tested under the state testing program.
3. Comply with all the school district's eligibility requirements for participation in interscholastic activities as outlined in the student handbook.
4. Any student, who was unable to maintain eligibility in an accredited school, shall be ineligible to participate as an alternative instruction student for a period of one (1) calendar year. After one year, the student may regain eligibility as per the school district policy.
5. Satisfy the responsibilities and standards of behavior and performance as expected of other students for both initial and continued membership in the activity:

All school district training rules and codes of conduct will be applicable.

- A. In order to be eligible to audition for and participate in a Region Music Contest, All-State Chorus, All-State Orchestra, or All-State Band, the student must currently be enrolled and attending the school district's parallel music organization as per SDHSAA rules.
 - B. A student who is a member of a high school team may not participate in games, practice tryouts, etc., in that particular sport during the same season on an independent or non-high school team or as a member on any "all star" team, or completely unattached on an individual basis as per SDHSAA rules.
6. A student who leaves an accredited school for any reason to enter an alternative instruction program shall be ineligible for interscholastic competition for a period of one (1) year beginning on the date the student enters the alternative instruction program.

Legal References: SDCL 13-27-3; 13-28-51; 13-36-7

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