

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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Definitions

Note: For purposes of implementation of the policy, it is recommended that districts define and categorize their student activities. Districts will need to decide whether home school student participation will extend to those extracurricular activities that may have a credit bearing class requirement attached for participation.

The definitions below are presented as examples for the district to consider.

- Interscholastic activities include school-sponsored activities, both athletic and non-athletic, between schools for which preparation occurs outside of the regular school day.
- Intrascholastic activities are those athletic and nonathletic activities that occur within the school and outside of the regular curriculum, funded and supported by the district, and for which at least some preparation occurs outside of the regular school day. A student must be enrolled in a school in Spartanburg District 4 to participate in intrascholastic activities. Eligibility for participation of specific activities is determined by individual school guidelines included in the student handbook.

Charter school student eligibility

To be eligible to participate in a school's interscholastic activities, a charter school student must do the following.

- Be a resident of the district and provide proof of residency to the superintendent or his/her designee.
- Complete an application to participate in interscholastic activities prior to the commencement of the activity involved.
- Meet applicable academic, attendance and behavioral requirements to participate in district interscholastic and/or student activities, including applicable state regulatory requirements for interscholastic activity participation.
- Participate at his/her residentially assigned school and be responsible for payment of all fees and expenses associated with participation in the activity charged to student participants enrolled in the district.
- Not have available a similar activity or program offered by or through the charter school in which he/she is enrolled.

Any costs associated with a required aide, special services support, special transportation, etc. for a disabled charter school student with special needs necessary for participation in an interscholastic activity must be arranged and funded by the student's charter school. The charter school is responsible for complying with any

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requirements of Section 504 or the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act with respect to a student's participation in an interscholastic activity.

A charter school student participating in an interscholastic activity is responsible for transportation to the activity.

Home school student eligibility

To be eligible to participate in a school's interscholastic activities, a home school student must do the following.

- Be a resident of the district and provide proof of residency to the superintendent or his/her designee.
- Complete an application to the superintendent or his/her designee to participate in district interscholastic activities before the beginning date of the season for the activity.
- Meet applicable academic, attendance and behavioral requirements to participate in district interscholastic activities, including applicable state regulatory requirements for interscholastic activity participation.
- Participate at his/her residentially assigned school and be responsible for payment of all fees and expenses associated with participation in the activity charged to student participants enrolled in the district.

The district is responsible for ensuring reasonable accommodations are provided to home school students participating in district interscholastic activities who have a qualifying disability under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

A former public school student who has been unable to maintain academic eligibility is ineligible to participate in interscholastic activities as a home school student for the following semester. To establish eligibility thereafter as a home school student, the student's teacher must certify by affidavit to the superintendent or his/her designee that the student meets the district's interscholastic activity participation requirements.

A home school student participating in an interscholastic activity is responsible for transportation to the activity.

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