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Schools shall encourage students to participate in approved activities that may earn appropriate recognition for both the school and its student. In the high schools, school counselors shall work with staff members and others:

1) to learn about appropriate opportunities; and

2) to encourage eligible students and their teachers to participate.

All activities for which awards, scholarships and other recognition are given must be educationally sound and related to activities normally sponsored by the school.

Principals of each school shall observe the following guidelines before approving any award or scholarship:

- 1. Students must benefit in some way.
- 2. Programs designed to promote or advertise a product or an ideology will not be approved.
- 3. Programs must be open to all students.
- 4. Programs must not place an undue burden on the student, teacher or school.
- 5. Entry fees, if any, must be minimal.
- 6. Programs may not interfere with the academic program.
- 7. Travel requirements must be minimal.
- 8. Awards for excellence may be made by and within a school or among schools.
- 9. The giving of prizes or medals or the making of any award by non-school affiliated persons or agencies must have the approval of the principal.