

Curriculum Clubs

The Fargo Public Schools encourages students to participate in clubs and activities that will enhance their educational experience. The Fargo Public Schools will sponsor curriculum clubs to enhance the education experience of our students.

Curricular Clubs

Each school may establish curricular clubs. Curricular clubs are defined as clubs whose activities meet one (1) or more of the following criteria:

- The subject matter of the club is or will be taught as a primary topic in a regularly offered course;
- The subject matter relates to the District's composite courses of study;
- Participation is required for a particular course; or
- Participation results in academic credit.

Curricular club activities may be conducted on or off school premises under the supervision and guidance of a staff advisor.

Participation curriculum clubs cannot be denied on the basis of a student's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, gender expression/identity, genetic information, or status with respect to marriage or public assistance, or status in any group protected by federal, state or local law.

“Non-curriculum student clubs” are defined as clubs whose activities do not meet the criteria listed above for “curricular clubs.”

The Fargo Public Schools allows non-curriculum student clubs to meet on school premises during non-instructional time. These clubs may use the name of the school when it is required or necessary to distinguish it from other such clubs in relation to competitions or other types of events. The use of the school name is not intended to show the club falls under the control, supervision, direction, guidance, or sponsorship of the Fargo Public Schools. Fiscal accounts of non-curriculum clubs are not controlled or accounted for by the District.

The Fargo Public Schools allows non-curriculum student clubs to use District facilities for meetings in accordance with 3510 - Community Use of School Facilities. Such use shall be accordance with Policy 4512 Non-Curriculum Student Clubs.

Principal Determination

Each school will provide an application form for club formation. The school principal will review each request to establish a club. After review, the principal shall designate the club as either “curricular” or “non-curricular”.

Activities regulated by NDHSAA together with intramural activities are not subject to this policy.

Club Application

Club applications shall include the following information.

- Name, email address and phone number of individual completing the application.
- Name of the proposed club.
- Name of the individual(s) who will coordinate and run the proposed club.
- General description/activities of the proposed club.
- Goals of the proposed club.
- A description of area(s) students need to meet in (classroom, gym, etc.).
- A description of when and how often the club intends to meet.
- A description of any fundraising activities planned for the proposed club (see AP 7105 Fundraising).

Operating Guidelines for Curriculum Clubs

- The safety and welfare of the students must be adequately safeguarded;
- All activities must have proper faculty planning, direction, and supervision;
- Faculty members and students are encouraged, but not required, to attend activities involving student performances;
- Building facilities and equipment must be used safely, as intended, and maintained in proper condition.
- Curriculum clubs may advertise meetings and activities in the following ways;
 - Posters: Curriculum clubs will be allowed to create and display posters at appropriate locations.
 - Daily Announcements: School sponsored clubs will be allowed to announce dates and times of club meetings three (3) times during the week before the next meeting.
 - Distribution of Materials: School sponsored clubs will be allowed to distribute club information to other students at appropriate times and locations.
 - School Sponsored Social Media: Each school shall maintain and post on the building's website a list of curriculum and non-curriculum clubs.
- A supervisor will be placed on a school sponsored club or activity contract for the next school year. The compensation will be determined using the AP 5610 schedule.

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CLUB APPLICATION

1. Information about the individual completing the application.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

2. Name of the proposed club: _____

3. Name of the individual(s) who will coordinate and run the proposed club.

Name: _____

Name: _____

4. General description/activities of the proposed club.

5. Goals of the proposed club.

6. Description of area(s) students need to meet in (classroom, gym, etc.).

7. Description of when and how often the club intends to meet.

8. Description of any fundraising activities planned for the proposed club (see AP 7105 Fundraising).
