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Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education Approves Updates to Policies Related to Club Sports

Charlotte, NC – The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education voted to revise several policies regarding student participation in extracurricular activities, such as clubs, club sports, and interscholastic athletics, within Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS).

To offer clear guidance, the following policies were updated:

Policy [S-XTRC](#), Extracurricular Activity Eligibility, was updated to clearly define club sports as intramural sports not sanctioned or governed by the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA), authorize students to participate in club sports at their home school if the magnet or non-magnet school does not provide that club sport, and set clear scholastic requirements. Policy S-STCL, Induction of Students in School Clubs or Organizations, was retired and the content contained therein incorporated into S-XTRC.

The Board also approved the creation of [S-XTRC.E](#) – an Exhibit that clearly outlines the club sport rules that govern student participation. It includes rules to comply with North Carolina General Statute 115C-407.59, medical requirements, sportsmanship expectations, and consequences for ejection, to name a few.

[S-SPTR](#), Interscholastic Athletic Participation, was also modified to include a definition for interscholastic athletics, and the rules for establishing athletic eligibility.

“These modifications really create a more inclusive approach to ensuring all students – primarily magnet school scholars – can play club sports,” explains Board of Education Vice Chair and Chair of the Board’s Policy Committee, Dee Rankin. “We thank the families who offered valuable perspectives on this important student topic. Students who may have not been able to previously play sports can now enjoy sports that enhance their school experience through learning teamwork, building friendships, and expanding social networks with other schools.”

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