



BOARD POLICY

122-DUP1 Co-Curricular/Extracurricular Activities

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Purpose

~~The Board believes that the goals and objectives of this district are best achieved by a diversity of learning experiences, some of which are more appropriately conducted outside the regular classroom curricular program of the school.~~

The Board recognizes the educational values inherent in student participation in extracurricular activities and supports the concept of student organizations for such purposes as enriching the educational experience, building social relationships, developing interests in a specific area, promoting civic engagement and gaining an understanding of the elements and responsibilities of teamwork, leadership and good citizenship.

Definitions

~~For the purposes of this policy, **co-curricular activities** shall be those activities which are sponsored or approved by the Board, offered for credit toward graduation, contain curricular content and related expectations, and have required components of their programs that require attendance at and participation in activities scheduled during both school and nonschool hours. Examples of co-curricular activities include but not limited to: choir and band practices and performances.~~

For purposes of this policy, **extracurricular activities** refers to ~~shall be those~~ programs, including athletic activities that are sponsored or approved by the Board, ~~and~~ are conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day; ~~are marked by student participation in the processes of initiation, planning, organizing and execution;~~ and are equally available to all

students who voluntarily elect to participate. Examples of activities that are considered extracurricular activities include but are not limited to athletics, school plays and musicals, and student council.^[1]

For purposes of this policy, an **athletic activity** shall mean all of the following:^{[2][3]}

1. An athletic contest or competition, other than interscholastic athletics, that is sponsored by or associated with the school, including cheerleading, club-sponsored sports activities and sports activities sponsored by school-affiliated organizations.
2. Noncompetitive cheerleading that is sponsored by or associated with the school.
3. Practices, interschool practices and scrimmages for all athletic activities.

Authority

The Board shall make school facilities, supplies and equipment available and shall assign staff members for the support of a program of co-curricular and/or extracurricular activities for students. Such availability and assignment shall be in accordance with the Equal Access Act, and other applicable laws, regulations and Board policies.^{[4][5] [6] [7]}

Any co-curricular and/or extracurricular activity shall be considered to be under the sponsorship of this Board when it has been approved by the Board on recommendation of the Superintendent.

The Board shall maintain the program of co-curricular and/or extracurricular activities at no cost to participating students, except that:

1. The Board's responsibility for the provisions of supplies shall carry the same exemptions as listed in the Board's policy on regular school supplies.^[8]
2. Students may assume all or part of the costs of travel and attendance at co-curricular and/or extracurricular events and trips.

Where eligibility requirements are necessary or desirable, the Board shall determine the standards for eligibility to be met by all students participating in an extracurricular activity.^{[4] [9]}

The Board directs that no student may participate in extracurricular activities who has not:

1. Met the requirements for academic eligibility. [\[4\]](#)
2. Complied with the requirements of applicable Board policies and administrative regulations. [\[10\]](#) [\[11\]](#) [\[12\]](#)
3. Attended school regularly. [\[13\]](#)
4. Been in attendance on the day of the activity, event or practice for the hours required.
5. Returned all school equipment previously used as directed.
6. Adhered to other applicable conduct standards.

Off-Campus Activities

~~This policy shall also apply to student conduct that occurs off school property and would otherwise violate the Code of Student Conduct if any of the following circumstances exist: [\[9\]](#)~~

- ~~1. The conduct occurs during the time the student is traveling to and from school or traveling to and from school-sponsored activities, whether or not via school district furnished transportation.~~
- ~~2. The student is a member of an extracurricular activity and has been notified that particular off-campus conduct could result in exclusion from such activities.~~
- ~~3. Student expression or conduct materially and substantially disrupts the operations of the school, or the administration reasonably anticipates that the expression or conduct is likely to materially and substantially disrupt the operations of the school.~~
- ~~4. The conduct has a direct nexus (connection or link) to attendance at school or a school-sponsored activity, for example, a transaction conducted outside of school pursuant to an agreement made in school, that would violate the Code of Student Conduct if conducted in school.~~
- ~~5. The conduct involves the theft or vandalism of school property.~~

~~There is otherwise a nexus between the proximity or timing of the conduct in relation to the student's attendance at school or school-sponsored activities.~~

Student conduct that occurs off school property or during non-school hours shall be addressed in accordance with the provisions of the student discipline policy regarding on and off-campus activities. [\[12\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

Each school year, prior to participation in an athletic activity, every student athlete and the athlete's parent/guardian shall sign and return the acknowledgement of receipt and review of the

following:

1. Concussion and Traumatic Brain Injury Information Sheet. [3][10] [11] [12]
2. Sudden Cardiac Arrest symptoms and warning sign information sheet, that includes information about electrocardiogram testing.

The Superintendent or Designee will develop administrative regulations to implement the extra curricular activities program.

Guidelines

~~The Superintendent shall prepare procedures to implement a co-curricular/extracurricular program which shall:~~

Guidelines shall ensure that the program of extracurricular activities:

1. Assesses the needs and interests ~~of the students of this district.~~ of and is responsive to district students.
2. Invites the participation of parents/guardians and **the** community in developing extracurricular activities. Such participation shall be in accordance with the Equal Access Act.[3]
3. Involvess students in developing and planning extracurricular activities.
4. Ensuress ~~the~~ provision of competent guidance and supervision of staff.
5. Guardss against the exploitation of students.
6. Providess a variety of experiences and a diversity of organizational models.
7. Providess for the continuing evaluation of the program and its components.
8. Ensure that all extracurricular activities are open to all students, without discrimination, and that all students are fully informed of the opportunities open to them.[1][13]

Equal Access Act

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~~The district shall provide secondary students the opportunity for one or more non-curriculum related student groups to meet on the school premises during noninstructional time for the purpose of conducting a meeting within the limited open forum on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at such meetings. Such meetings must be voluntary, student-initiated, and not sponsored in any way by the school, its agents or employees.~~[5]

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Noninstructional time is the time set aside by the school before actual classroom instruction begins or after actual classroom instruction ends.

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The meetings of student groups cannot materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of the educational activities in the school.

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The Superintendent or designee shall establish the length of sessions, number per week, and other limitations deemed reasonably necessary.

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The district retains the authority to maintain order and discipline on school premises to protect the well-being of students and employees and to ensure that the attendance of students at such meetings is on a voluntary basis.

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Extracurricular Activity Eligibility Standards

Students must be enrolled as full-time students, as defined by standards established by the Board of Education, and must be approved by their principal to participate in any extracurricular activities.

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The Board will annually establish rules for eligibility via the Agreement for Participation in Extracurricular Activities Form included in the student handbook.

Legal Footnotes

[1] 22 PA Code 12.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 24 P.S. 5322
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] 24 P.S. 1425
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] 24 P.S. 511
LEGAL REFERENCE

[5] 20 U.S.C. 4071
LEGAL REFERENCE

[6] Pol. 103 – Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students
POLICY REFERENCE

[7] Pol. 103.1 – Nondiscrimination - Qualified Students with Disabilities
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] Pol. 110 – Instructional Supplies
POLICY REFERENCE

[9] Pol. 218 — Student Discipline

POLICY REFERENCE

[10] 24 P.S. 5323

LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] Pol. 123.1 — Concussion Management

POLICY REFERENCE

[12] Pol. 123.2 — Sudden Cardiac Arrest

POLICY REFERENCE

[13] 22 PA Code 12.4

LEGAL REFERENCE

Legal References

No additional references listed.