EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Governing Board recognizes that extracurricular and cocurricular activities enrich the educational and social development and experiences of students. The district shall encourage and support student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program.

No extracurricular or cocurricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately, and no district student's participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be required or refused, based on the student's sex, gender, actual or perceived sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability. Requirements for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that are essential to the success of the activity. (5 CCR 4925)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Any complaint regarding the district's extracurricular and cocurricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

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No student shall be prohibited from participating in extracurricular and cocurricular activities related to the educational program because of inability to pay fees associated with the activity.

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)

Eligibility Requirements – High School

To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students in grades 9-12 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period, including, but not limited to: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. Maintenance of a minimum of 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale with no more than one “F”

2. Maintenance of minimum progress toward meeting high school graduation requirements

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)
(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)
(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)
EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (continued)

Eligibility Requirements – Middle School

To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students in grades 7 and 8 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period including but not limited to: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. Maintenance of a minimum of a 2.3 rubric average on grade level academic standards as indicated on the student’s standards-based report card. *

2. Maintenance of minimum progress toward meeting middle school promotion expectations and toward meeting high school graduation requirements.

3. Maintain proficient citizenship scores as indicated by the student’s rubric score for behavior and academic progress on the standards-based report card.

*Exception—Students with IEP’s and/or who are identified as English Learners (CELDT scores of 1 or 2) or who have an academic 504 Plan may participate in extracurricular or cocurricular activities if the student has maintained satisfactory academic progress as measured by the learning plan.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the necessary assistance to help ineligible students achieve the academic standards required by law.

(cf. 6164.5 - Student Success Teams)
(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

Any decision regarding the eligibility of any child in foster care or a child of a military family for extracurricular or cocurricular activities shall be made by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Education Code 48850 and 49701.

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families)

The Superintendent or designee may revoke a student's eligibility for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities when the student's poor citizenship is serious enough to warrant loss of this privilege.
EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (continued)

Student Conduct at Extracurricular/Cocurricular Events

When attending or participating in extracurricular and/or cocurricular activities on or off campus, district students are subject to district policies and regulations relating to student conduct. Students who violate district policies and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, or denial of participation in extracurricular or cocurricular activities in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. When appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)
(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

Annual Policy Review

The Board shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations.

Legal Reference: (see next page)
EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
35145 Public meetings
35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements; matters subject to regulation
35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia
35181 Students' responsibilities
48850 Participation of foster youth in extracurricular activities and interscholastic sports
48930-48938 Student organizations
49700-49704 Education of children of military families

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
350 Fees not permitted
4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs receiving state financial assistance
5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

COURT DECISIONS

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

WEB SITES.
California Association of Directors of Activities: http://www.cadal.org
California Department of Education, Educational Options Office: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/mc
California Department of Education, Foster Youth Services: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/fy/

Policy
adopted: March 26, 2002
revised: March 14, 2006
revised: February 23, 2010
Instruction

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Definitions

Extracurricular activities are those programs that have all of the following characteristics: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. The program is supervised or financed by the school district.
2. Students participating in the program represent the school district.
3. Students exercise some degree of freedom in the selection, planning or control of the program.
4. The program includes both preparation for performance and performance before an audience or spectators.

Extracurricular activities are not part of the regular school curriculum, are not graded, do not offer credit and do not take place during classroom time. (Education Code 35160.5)

Cocurricular activities are programs that may be associated with the curriculum in a regular classroom. (Education Code 35160.5)

An activity is not an extracurricular or cocurricular activity if either of the following conditions applies: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. It is a teacher-graded or required program or activity for a course which satisfies the entrance requirements for admission to the California State University or the University of California.
2. It is a program that has as its primary goal the improvement of academic or educational achievement of students.

Eligibility Requirements

The grade point average (Grades 9-12) or the rubric average (Grades 7-8) used to determine eligibility shall be based on the grades/scores of the last previous grading period during which the student attended class at least the majority of the time. (Education Code 35160.5)

When a student becomes ineligible to participate in the upcoming school year, or when he/she is subject to probation, the principal or designee shall provide written notice to the student and his/her parents/guardians. The principal shall also consult with the student's teacher(s) in deciding on a program of remediation to improve the student's academic progress.
EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (continued)

Students in middle school who fall below a 2.0 academic rubric score in any core academic subject (English or mathematics) will participate in classroom and/or school intervention support programs as a condition of participation in extra curricular or co-curricular activities.

(cf. 6164.5 - Student Study Teams)
(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)
(cf. 6177 - Summer School)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)