

EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**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 used to determine eligibility shall be based on grades of the last previous grading period during which the student attended class at least a majority of the time. (Educational 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)**Incoming 9th Grade Eligibility**

Incoming freshman who do not meet eligibility requirements for participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities may request a waiver to participate in Fall activities. The requirements for granting such a waiver include:

1. Student must have a minimum 1.5 GPA from his/her 2nd semester 8th grade coursework.
2. Student must write a letter requesting a waiver by the end of the first full week of school.
3. The student must appear before a panel composed of an administrator, athletic director, teacher representative and the student's counselor to present his/her case. The panel should consider whether additional learning support may be required through the MSAT or SST process.
4. If the waiver is granted, the student must have a letter signed by the parent/guardian that stipulates the following:
 - a. Weekly progress reports must be submitted to the administration for the entire school year.
 - b. There may be no disciplinary actions against the student.
 - c. There may be no truancies or excessive tardies.
 - d. The student must meet eligibility requirements at the 1st progress report.
 - e. The coach or advisor may implement a mandatory study hall/tutoring program for the student.
5. Failure to meet these stipulations will result in a revocation of the waiver.

Regulation

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