

## **Instruction**

### **EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

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

*(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)*  
*(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)*  
*(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)*  
*(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)*

No extracurricular or cocurricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately on the basis of any actual or perceived characteristic listed as a prohibited category of discrimination in state or federal law, nor shall any student's participation in an extracurricular or cocurricular activity be required or refused on those bases. Prerequisites for student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that have been demonstrated to be 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)*  
*(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)*

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

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Unless specifically authorized by law, no fee shall be charged to students for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities related to the educational program, including materials or equipment related to the activity.

*(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)*  
*(cf. 3452 - Student Activity Funds)*

### **Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students in grades 7 - 12 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period, including, but not limited to: (Education Code 35160.5)

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1. Maintenance of a minimum of 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in all enrolled classes
2. Maintenance of minimum progress toward meeting high school graduation requirements

The following provision in **BOLD** is for the 2020-2021 school year, and will sunset at the conclusion of the academic year. The purpose of this temporary change to extracurricular eligibility is to adjust with the modified Quasimester model VUSD adopted at the secondary level.

**Based on this Board Policy, the GPA that will be used for eligibility determination will be the most recent Quasimester report card.**

**Due to the modified schedule, students who earn between a 1.0 - 2.0 GPA on a quasimester report card may use a one-time COVID Appeal. This appeal will not count toward the student's one-time athletic appeal during their four years of high school participation.**

*(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)*

*(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)*

*(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)*

The Superintendent or designee may grant ineligible students a probationary period not to exceed one semester. Students granted probationary eligibility must meet the required standards by the end of the probationary period in order to remain eligible for participation. (Education Code 35160.5)

Any decision regarding the eligibility of any child in foster care or a child of an active duty 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.

**Student Conduct at Extracurricular/Cocurricular Events**

When attending or participating in extracurricular and 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

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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))

### **Annual Policy Review**

The Board shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations.

#### *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

49024 Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate

49700-49704 Education of children of military families

##### CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 9, Section 5 Common school system

##### 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

Hartzell v. Connell, (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899

#### *Management Resources:*

##### CSBA PUBLICATIONS

*Student Fees Litigation Update, ELA Advisory, May 20, 2011*

##### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

*Pupil Fees, Deposits, or Other Charges, Fiscal Management Advisory 11-01, November 9, 2011*

##### CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

*Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children: Preliminary Final Report, March 2009*

##### COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING CODED CORRESPONDENCE

*10-11 Information on Assembly Bill 346 Concerning the Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate (ASCC), July 20, 2010*

##### WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Association of Directors of Activities: <http://www.cadal.org>

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*California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>*

*Commission on Teacher Credentialing: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov>*

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