

GREEN BAY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board Policy Manual

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CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

I. PURPOSE

Co-curricular activities are an integral part of the educational program. The District believes that its goals and objectives are best achieved by a diversity of learning experiences, including those that are not conducted in a regular classroom but are directly related to the curriculum. While academics are of paramount importance, participation in well directed school-sponsored organizations affords opportunities, training and experiences not ordinarily obtainable in the regular curriculum.

II. DEFINITIONS

- A. Co-Curricular Activities. Co-curricular activities include any school-related organized activity that is offered outside of the academic class requirements and for which student participation is voluntary. Examples of co-curricular activities include, but are not limited to, athletics, clubs, student government and student publications.
- B. Full Participation. Full participation means fair and equal participation in a manner consistent with applicable nondiscrimination requirements and to the extent that the budget, facilities, quality of experience or type of activity allows.

III. IMPLEMENTATION

- A. The District encourages the full participation of elementary and middle school students (K-8 students) in co-curricular and recreational programs and activities offered by and through the District.
- B. All co-curricular activities sponsored by the District shall:
 - 1. Be approved by the Board of Education;
 - 2. Meet at least the minimum requirements of the rules and regulations of affiliating bodies to which the activities are affiliated (i.e., Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletics Association);
 - 3. Have an adult advisor/supervisor appointed by the Superintendent of Schools and Learning or his/her designee;
 - 4. Be funded consistent with applicable District policies and procedures, and
 - 5. Be scheduled in such a way as to minimize infringement upon the regular school day and the daily schedule of classes.
- C. Building administrators or their designees shall be responsible for informing students and parents and guardians of the co-curricular and recreational activities that are available at the relevant grade levels and for implementing

registration and scheduling processes in a manner that gives due regard for the goal of full participation. To the extent that full participation may not be feasible in the activity, building administrators or their designee shall consult with District administration.

- D. The District will not discriminate in admission to any program or activity, standards and rules of behavior, disciplinary actions or facilities usage on the basis of sex; race; religion; color; national origin; ancestry; creed; pregnancy; marital status; parental status; homelessness; sexual orientation; gender identity; gender expression; gender non-conformity; physical, mental, emotional or learning disability/handicap; or any other legally-protected status or classification. This policy does not, however, prohibit the District from placing a student in a program or activity based on standards of individual performance, or from providing separate programs in interscholastic athletics for males and females if such programs are sufficiently comparable in type, scope and support from the District. Discrimination complaints will be processed in accordance with established District procedures.

IV. NOTICE AND SANCTIONS

- A. Students shall be expected to abide by all rules and regulations established for participation in District-sponsored co-curricular activities and the stated expectations contained in the Student Expectation Handbooks and Co-Curricular Code of Conduct Handbook. Students who violate any such rules and regulations shall be subject to disciplinary or other action.
- B. No student shall be permitted to participate in any District-sponsored student athletic activities unless he/she has provided the school with a signed concussion and head injury information sheet as required by law.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
 118.133
 118.293
 120.12(2) and (23)
 120.13(1)
 120.44(2)
 121.54(7)
 PI 9.03(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: 110, District Mission and Beliefs
 321.1, Scheduling Student Activities (Wednesday Night)
 353, Community Instructional Opportunities and Resources
 373, Student Social Events
 375, Student Contests
 411-Rule, Equal Educational Opportunities Complaint Procedures

662.1, Student Activity Funds Management
656, Student Fees, Fines and Charges
751-Rule, Student Transportation Procedures
850, Solicitations Involving the Schools
WIAA Handbook
Student Expectation Handbooks
Co-Curricular Code of Conduct Handbook

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