

2430 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Board of Education 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 instructional program of the school. The purpose of such co-curricular activities shall be to develop leadership capacities and good organizational skills, to aid in the socialization of pupils, and to enable pupils to explore a wider range of individual interests than might be available in the regular curricular program.

For purposes of this policy, co-curricular activities are those activities conducted on or off school premises by clubs, associations, and organizations of pupils sponsored by the Board and do not include athletic competitions and practices. Co-curricular activities must be related to the curriculum but are not offered for credit toward promotion or graduation and are ordinarily conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day.

Pupils shall be fully informed of the co-curricular activities available to them and of the eligibility standards established for participation in co-curricular activities. Co-curricular activities shall be available to all pupils who voluntarily elect to participate except that where eligibility requirements specific to an organization are necessary or desirable, the Board shall be so informed and must approve the establishment of such eligibility standards before they may be operable.

The Board will not permit the organization of a fraternity, sorority, or secret society.

Pupil participation in co-curricular activities shall be governed by the following eligibility standards:

1. Pupils who may be in danger of failing a course or receiving an unsatisfactory conduct grade will be notified through an interim progress report.
2. A pupil is eligible for participation in co-curricular activities unless the pupil has obtained two or more failing and/or unsatisfactory grades during a single marking period or in consecutive marking periods in the same or different subject areas. Ineligibility shall take effect upon issuance of a report card indicating the above conditions.
3. No pupil who has been absent for a school day may participate in co-curricular activities scheduled for the afternoon or evening of that school day.



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4. A pupil who fails to demonstrate good citizenship in two or more subject areas or observe school rules for pupil conduct will forfeit his or her eligibility for participation in co-curricular activities.

The Superintendent shall assess the needs and interests of the pupils of this district and provide for the continuing evaluation of the co-curricular program.

39 U.S.C.A. 1701 et seq.
N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3; 18A:42-2; 18A:42-5

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