

POLICY

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.

The Board shall make school facilities, supplies, and equipment available and assign staff members for the support of a program of co-curricular activities for pupils. The Board shall maintain the program of co-curricular activities at no cost to participating pupils, except that pupils may be required to provide supplies in accordance with Board Policy No. 2520 on instructional supplies and pupils may be required to assume all or part of the costs of travel and attendance at co-curricular events and trips.

For purposes of this policy, "co-curricular activities" shall be those activities which are sponsored or approved by the Board of Education but are not offered for credit toward graduation. Such activities shall ordinarily be:

1. Marked by student participation in the processes of initiation, planning, organizing and execution.
2. Available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate within the constraints of the reasonable, uniformly applied eligibility rules of the organized activity.

The Board shall make school facilities, supplies and equipment available and assign staff members for the support of a program of co-curricular activities for students in grades 1 through 12.

No co-curricular activity shall be considered to be under the sponsorship of this Board unless it has been approved by the Superintendent.

The Board will permit the use of school facilities by organizations of pupils during pupil activity periods. No group of pupils, regardless of the size of the group, will be denied an opportunity to meet on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at their meeting.



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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.

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures to implement a co-curricular program and 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
N.J.A.C. 6A:19-6.10

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