

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 students, and to enable students 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 students in grades two through twelve. The Board shall maintain the program of co-curricular activities and a fee may be charged to participating students. Students 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 are those activities conducted on or off school premises by clubs, associations, and organizations of students 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.

A student in any grade must maintain a satisfactory record of attendance to be eligible for participation in co-curricular activities. No student who has an unexcused absence for a school day may participate in a co-curricular activity scheduled for the afternoon or evening of that school day.

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

Students 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 students, however, co-curricular activities may be limited in size due to availability of resources (e.g., number of instructors, space available, etc.)

The Board, at its discretion, will permit students who reside in this district and who are not enrolled in the public school to participate in co-curricular activities on a space available basis. Participants will be permitted only on written application and the



applicant's assurances that the students agree to be bound by the policies, rules, and regulations of this district.

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures to implement a co-curricular program and shall assess the needs and interests of the students 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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