

COCURRICULAR AND EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

The Board of Education recognizes the educational values inherent in student participation in the extracurricular life of the school and encourages such participation. The District will comply with all non-discriminatory requirements according to New York State and Federal Law.

Recognizing that student activities are a part of the school program, the Board has established the following criteria, which all student activity programs must meet:

1. student activities must have educational value for students;
2. student activities must be in balance with other curricular offerings in the schools; and
3. student activities must be managed in a professional manner.

The following guidelines will govern student activities programs:

1. student activities are those school activities that are voluntarily engaged in by students, have the approval of the school administration and do not carry credit toward promotion or graduation;
2. each school, under the direction of the building principal, will have a well-balanced and effectively administered student activity program designed to stimulate student growth and development by supplementing and enriching the curricular activities;
3. each activity should be designed to contribute directly to the educational, civic, social and/or ethical development of students involved;
4. the student activity program should receive the same attention in terms of philosophy, objectives, social setting, organization and evaluation that is given the regular school curriculum;
5. the district will develop written guidelines and procedures regulating the creation, organization, administration and dissolution of student activity programs;
6. the expenses involved in participating in any student activity and in the total program for a school year should be set so that a majority of the students may participate without financial strain;
7. activities must not place undue burdens upon students, teachers or schools;
8. activities should be held after classes are dismissed, or at an appropriate time during the school day

If any extracurricular or cocurricular organization is eliminated and/or has been inactive, the Board may authorize the Superintendent or designee to direct that the unexpended club funds be transferred to the appropriate student account(s).

Ref: Education Law, Sec. 1709(25)(g)
5252, Student Activities Funds Management

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