

Instruction

Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities

The Superintendent must approve an activity in order for it to be considered a District-sponsored extracurricular or co-curricular activity, using the following criteria:

1. The activity will contribute to the leadership abilities, social well-being, self-realization, good citizenship, or general growth of student-participants.
2. Fees assessed students are reasonable and do not exceed the actual cost of operation.
3. The District has sufficient financial resources for the activity.
4. Requests from students.
5. The activity will be supervised by a school-approved sponsor.

Non-school sponsored student groups are governed by School Board policy, 7:330, *Student Use of Buildings - Equal Access*.

Academic Criteria for Participation

For high school students, selection of members or participants is at the discretion of the teachers, sponsors, or coaches, provided that the selection criteria conform to the District's policies. Participation in co-curricular activities is dependent upon course selection and successful progress in those courses. In order to be eligible to participate in any school-sponsored or school-supported athletic or extracurricular activity, a student must maintain an overall 2.0 grade point average beginning with the incoming freshmen class of the 2014-2015 school year.

Incoming freshmen will be eligible to practice, compete or perform in athletics and/or activities the first quarter during their freshman year if they meet the Illinois High School Association guidelines.

Transfer students must meet the 2.0 eligibility requirements.

In addition, students must not be failing more than one class. Any student-participant failing to meet these academic criteria shall be suspended from the activity, contest, or performance. Students will be allowed to practice. Students achieving less than 2.0 would have the possibility of becoming eligible at the quarter midterm if they meet both of the following conditions:

1. Complete ½ hour of tutorial sessions per attendance day per week; and
2. Achieve a 2.0 average on their quarter midterm grade report.

For graduating classes of 2015, 2016, and 2017, the following policy will remain in effect:

Those students who receive one failing grade may appeal their eligibility once each grading period provided they: submit an eligibility appeal plan within five school days, which is approved; and agree to attend 2.5 hours of tutoring each week in the subject they are failing. Students who fail to attend the 2.5 hours of tutoring weekly and/or turn in the proper documentation will be ineligible for the next week, Monday through Saturday. A second such occurrence will result in

being declared ineligible for the remainder of the grading period.

For students in kindergarten through 8th grade, selection of members or participants is at the discretion of the teachers, sponsors, or coaches, provided that the selection criteria conform to the District's policies. Students must satisfy all academic standards and must comply with the activity's rules and the student conduct code.

LEGAL REF.:..... 105 ILCS 5/10-20.30 and 5/24-24.

CROSS REF.: 4:170 (Safety), 7:10 (Equal Educational Opportunities), 7:40 (Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students), 7:240 (Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities), 7:300 (Extracurricular Athletics), 7:330 (Student Use of Buildings - Equal Access), 8:20 (Community Use of School Facilities)

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