

**Instruction**

**EXTRACURRICULAR (INCLUDING INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS) AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The Board of Education recognizes that extracurricular (including interscholastic athletics) and cocurricular activities enrich the educational and social development of students and enhance students' feelings of connectedness with the schools. The district shall encourage and support student participation in extracurricular (including interscholastic athletics) and cocurricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program.

\* Throughout the document, extracurricular activities (including interscholastic athletics) will be referred to as EA/IA.

(cf. 1330 - Use of School Facilities)  
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)  
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)

Prerequisites for student participation in EA/IA and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that have been demonstrated to be essential to the success of the activity. No EA/IA or cocurricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately on the basis of any actual or perceived characteristic listed as a prohibited category of discrimination in state or federal law, nor shall any student's participation in an EA/IA or cocurricular activity be required or refused on those bases. (5 CCR 4925)

No student shall be excluded from participation in EA/IA and cocurricular activities solely on the basis of that student's having a disability, and/or receiving services through a Section 504 plan or Individualized Education Program ("IEP"). Students with disabilities shall be given equal opportunity to participate in EA/IA and cocurricular activities and their parents shall be advised of such activities in the same and equal manner as parents of students without disabilities. The District may set uniform standards for measuring eligibility requirements for educationally sound purposes if the criteria are objective and clearly-defined, related to the purpose of the program, and applied equally to all students without regard to disability. Participation of a student who, even with the benefit of accommodations, could not meet the essential academic or skill requirements necessary for participation or recognition, is not required.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)  
(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)  
(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)  
(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)

Any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination in the district's EA/IA or cocurricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

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Unless specifically authorized by law, no student shall be charged a fee for his/her participation in educational activities, including EA/IA and cocurricular activities and materials or equipment related to such activities. (Education Code 49010, 49011)

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)

(cf. 3452 - Student Activity Funds)

### **Extracurricular Activities (Including Interscholastic Activities) Eligibility Requirements**

To be eligible to participate in EA/IA, students in grades 7-12 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period, including, but not limited to: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. Maintenance of a minimum of 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in all enrolled classes.
2. Maintenance of minimum progress toward meeting high school graduation requirements.
3. For students with disabilities who have individualized promotion standards other than grade point average and progress towards high school graduation requirements, eligibility for participation in EA/IA can be established on a case-by-case basis through satisfactory progress in those individualized promotion standards.

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

The Superintendent or designee may grant ineligible students a probationary period not to exceed one semester. Students granted probationary eligibility must meet the required standards by the end of the probationary period in order to remain eligible for participation. (Education Code 35160.5)

Any decision regarding the eligibility of a homeless student, foster youth, or child of an active duty military family for EA/IA shall be made by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Education Code 48850 and 49701.

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

The Superintendent or designee may revoke a student's eligibility for participation in EA/IA when the student's poor citizenship is serious enough to warrant loss of this privilege.

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### **Student Conduct at Extracurricular (Including Interscholastic Athletics) And Cocurricular Events**

When attending or participating in EA/IA and cocurricular activities on or off campus, district students are subject to district policies and regulations relating to student conduct.

Students who violate district policies and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, or denial of participation in EA/IA or cocurricular activities in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. When appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

(cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

### **Annual Policy Review**

The Board shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations. (Education Code 35160.5)

Legal Reference:

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EDUCATION CODE

35145 Public meetings

35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements; matters subject to regulation

35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia

35181 Students' responsibilities

48850 Participation of homeless students and foster youth in extracurricular activities and interscholastic sports

48930-48938 Student organizations

49010-49013 Student fees

49024 Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate

49700-49704 Education of children of military families

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 9, Section 5 Common school system

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

350 Fees not permitted

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs receiving state financial assistance

5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils

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COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (continued)**

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

COURT DECISIONS

Hartzell v. Connell, (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Pupil Fees, Deposits, and Other Charges, Fiscal Management Advisory 12-02,  
April 24, 2013

CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children: Preliminary Final  
Report, March 2009

COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING PUBLICATIONS

Information on Assembly Bill 346 Concerning the Activity Supervisor Clearance  
Certificate (ASCC), Coded Correspondence 10-11, July 20, 2010

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Association of Directors of Activities: <http://www.cada1.org>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

California Interscholastic Federation: <http://www.cifstate.org>

Commission on Teacher Credentialing: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov>

Policy

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