

EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Board of Trustees recognizes that extracurricular and cocurricular activities enrich the educational and social development and experiences of students. The district shall encourage and support student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program.

No extracurricular or cocurricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately and no district student's participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be required or refused based on the student's gender, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability. Requirements for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that are essential to the success of the activity. (5 CCR 4925)

Any complaint regarding the district's extracurricular and cocurricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

No student shall be prohibited from participating in extracurricular and cocurricular activities related to the educational program because of inability to pay fees associated with the activity.

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)

~~Covid 19 Pandemic Temporary Provisions to BP 6145 Related to Eligibility Requirements~~

~~Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic, there are **three** temporary provisions related to student eligibility requirements for extracurricular and cocurricular activities.~~

~~The first temporary provision is pursuant to AB 908, which authorizes a school board to adopt a policy to extend the probationary period for eligibility to exceed one semester and to go through the fall of the 2020-2021 school year. Currently, the District extends probation to 11th grade students for one grading period if they satisfy the C.I.F. eligibility requirements (2.00 GPA and currently passing 20 units). Extending the probationary period from the spring of 2020 through the fall of 2020 as AB 908 provides, would allow students who were on probation in the spring of 2020 to maintain eligibility for the December 2020 athletic season as long as they satisfy the C.I.F. eligibility requirements.~~

~~The second temporary provision would replace the current 9th, 10th and 11th grade student eligibility requirements of:~~

- ~~• 2.00 GPA or above~~
- ~~• Currently passing 20 units or more, and~~
- ~~• No more than one F grade.~~

The above would be replaced with the C.I.F. eligibility requirement of:

- a 2.00 GPA, and
- Currently passing 20 units or more

~~The third temporary provision is the expanded use of probation during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Probation during the Covid-19 Pandemic will be available to all students. The following criteria will be met and applied to any student electing to go on extra-curricular probation.~~

~~Probation eligibility:~~

- ~~Currently passing 20 units or more~~
- ~~A written academic improvement plan for the student will be written by the student, coach or director, and school counselor.~~
- ~~The academic improvement plan will be approved by the site administration and signed by the coach or director, the athletic director, school counselor, and the teacher of any class in which the student is earning an F grade.~~
- ~~The student will engage in an on-site learning support pod.~~

Eligibility Requirements

The district Eligibility Policy is designed to promote academic excellence and identify the student's primary educational responsibility which is the achievement of satisfactory academic progress.

Every high school student who wishes to participate in the district's co-curricular and extra-curricular programs must meet all of the qualification standards listed below.

9th, 10th and 11th ~~and 10th~~-Grade Student Eligibility:

- Three requirements:
 - 1) 2.00 GPA or above,
 - 2) Currently passing 20 units or more, and
 - 3) No more than one F grade.

~~11th~~ ~~Grade Student Eligibility:~~

- ~~Same as 9th and 10th grade students with the possibility of probation for one grading period;~~

~~Probation eligibility:~~

- ~~1) C.I.F. eligibility requirements for one grading period
 - ~~2.00 GPA or above~~
 - ~~Currently passing 20 units or more~~~~
- ~~2) Written academic improvement plan for student signed by coach/director, counselor, and teacher of any class with an F grade~~

12th Grade Student Eligibility:

- Satisfy the C.I.F. eligibility requirements:
 - 2.00 GPA or above

- Currently passing 20 units or more

Athletic Probation

An ineligible student may elect to go on probation in order to be eligible and improve academic performance. A student may be on probation no more than twice in a four (4) year period and no more than once per school year.

- Probation Requirements:

- Available to students at all grade levels
- Student must have passed 20 units or more the previous grading period (A-D letter grade for at least four classes)
- Student must create a written academic improvement plan approved by the site's Student Success Coordinator, coach/director, and a teacher if the student receives an F grade(s).
- Student required to attend at least three (3) hours per week (after their school day) with the Student Success Coordinator.
- A student may be on probation no more than twice in a four (4) year period and no more than once per school year.
- A student on probation who becomes eligible at the grading period must stay enrolled with the Student Success Coordinator for the grading period immediately following their probationary period.

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In the event a student is determined to be academically ineligible to participate in co-curricular or extra-curricular activities during the first grading period of the upcoming school year, the student may attend summer school and petition to have the grades earned during the intervening summer session substituted for the grades received during the previous grading period. In those cases where the course is retaken during the summer school, the higher grade will be substituted for the lower grade and the grade point average will be recalculated to determine the student's eligibility for the first grading period of the upcoming school year.

Annual Policy Review

The Board shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35145 *Public meetings*

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

35179 *Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia*

48930-48938 *Student organizations*

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*

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:

CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

001.90 *Access to School-Related Activities and Events by Disabled Students, LO: 3-0*

409.87 *Requirements for Pupil Participation in Extracurricular and Cocurricular activities, AB 2613, CIL: 86/87-11*

WEB SITES

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

Policy

SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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San Mateo, California

Instruction

AR 6145

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Definitions

Extracurricular activities are those programs that have all of the following characteristics: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. The program is supervised or financed by the school district.
2. Students participating in the program represent the school district.
3. Students exercise some degree of freedom in the selection, planning or control of the program.

4. The program includes both preparation for performance and performance before an audience or spectators.

Extracurricular activities are not part of the regular school curriculum, are not graded, do not offer credit and do not take place during classroom time. (Education Code 35160.5)

Cocurricular activities are programs that may be associated with the curriculum in a regular classroom. (Education Code 35160.5)

An activity is not an extracurricular or cocurricular activity if either of the following conditions applies: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. It is a teacher-graded or required program or activity for a course which satisfies the entrance requirements for admission to the California State University or the University of California.
2. It is a program that has as its primary goal the improvement of academic or educational achievement of students.

Eligibility Requirements

The grade point average used to determine eligibility shall be based on grades of the last previous grading period during which the student attended class at least a majority of the time. (Education Code 35160.5)

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