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Student Activities
Policy Series: 3000 Students

Policy No. 3510

Purpose:

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Student activities **support and/or supplement** the school district's academic program and provide opportunities for students to extend classroom learning, develop individual abilities, learn the value of group effort, and use time constructively.

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~~Participation in competitive athletics, student government, and other extracurricular activities confer important educational and lifetime benefits upon students. However, there is no constitutional or legally protected right to participate in these types of extracurricular activities. Students who participate in extracurricular activities become role models for others in the school and community. These students often play major roles in establishing standards of acceptable behavior in the school and community, and establishing and **in** maintaining the reputation of the school and the level of community confidence and support afforded to the school. Accordingly, students involved in extracurricular activities must comply with school and District policies, team and organization rules and applicable local, state, and federal laws regarding their conduct and behavior.~~

Definitions

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~~Definitions of curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities shall be as follows:~~

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1. Curricular activities occur within the regular school day and constitute the delivery of instruction to students in the District.
2. Co-curricular activities are an extension of classroom instruction in which participation is by the entire class or a significant portion thereof. They relate directly to, and enhance student learning of, essential elements through participation, demonstration, illustration, and observation. Co-curricular activities are included in the teacher's instructional plan and are conducted by or supervised by a classroom teacher or other educational professional such as a librarian, school nurse, counselor, or administrator. Students suspended from extracurricular activities because of a grade point average below 2.0 or

41 more than one failed course shall not be prevented from participating in after-school co-
42 curricular activities.

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- 44 3. Extracurricular activities are school-sponsored activities that are not directly related to
45 instruction of the essential elements, but that may have an indirect relation to some
46 areas of the curriculum. They offer worthwhile and significant contributions to a student's
47 personal, physical, and social development. Participation in extracurricular activities is a
48 privilege and not a right, and students must meet specific requirements in order to
49 participate. Activities may include, but are not limited to, performances, contests,
50 demonstrations, displays, and club activities.
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- 52 4. Secret societies are student organizations whose membership, rituals, selection
53 process, or activities are intentionally kept confidential or restricted to members.
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56 Overview

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58 Student activities recommended by the principal must be authorized by the Superintendent or
59 designee and must be supervised by an appropriately assigned advisor or coach.

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61 The superintendent shall establish procedures relevant to participation in athletic, **co-curricular**
62 and **other extracurricular** ~~co-curricular~~ activities. The minimum academic standard for
63 participation in athletics and other ~~co-~~**extra**curricular activities is a grade point average of 2.0 for
64 the **preceding grading period** ~~preceding grade period~~, with no more than one failing or
65 incomplete grade. Students who do not maintain this academic standard will be deemed
66 ineligible until they reach this standard. **Incoming ninth grade students are exempt from these**
67 **grading requirements for the first quarter of participation of their ninth grade year. Thereafter,**
68 **the same grading criteria must be met as for all other students.**

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71 Secret Societies

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73 ~~The Board prohibits any fraternity, sorority, or secret society, or any organization composed~~
74 ~~wholly or in part of pupils of public schools below the rank of college or junior college which~~
75 ~~seeks to perpetuate itself by taking in additional members from the pupils enrolled in such~~
76 ~~school on the basis of the decision of its membership, rather than upon the free choice of any~~
77 ~~pupil in the school, who is qualified under the rules of the school, to fill the special aims of the~~
78 ~~organization.~~

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80 The Board prohibits fraternities, sororities, secret societies, or similar organizations made up of
81 K–12 public school students that select their own members rather than allowing any student
82 who meets school requirements and the organization's purpose to join voluntarily.

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86 Legal References

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- 89 [Utah Code § 53G-8-209 \(2025\)](#)
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