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Extracurricular Activities

Eligibility to Represent the School

All students elected to student offices, or who represent their schools in extracurricular activities, shall maintain a positive citizenship record. Students who fail to meet this requirement shall be subject to a denial of participation by the principal.

A student who belongs to any school group or organization other than a course for academic credit must meet school eligibility standards. Examples of such groups or organizations include but are not limited to athletic teams, student government, clubs and cheerleaders.

Extracurricular Activities – Grades 7 and 8

Extracurricular activities are those programs that have all of the following characteristics:

- a) The program is supervised or financed by the school district.
- b) Students participating in the program represent the school district
- c) Students exercise some degree of freedom in either the selection, planning or control of the program.
- d) 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.

Sportsmanship

The Board values the quality and integrity of extracurricular activities and the character development of student participants. Student participants, coaches, parents/guardians, spectators, and others are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play during all extracurricular activities. They shall also abide by the core principles of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship.

Students and staff may be subject to disciplinary action for improper conduct during extracurricular activities.

- (cf. 3515.2 - Disruptions)
- (cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
- (cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
- (cf. 5131 - Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.1 - Bus Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.4 - Student Disturbances)

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(cf. 5144 - Discipline)
(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
(cf. 5144.2- Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process
(Individuals with Disabilities))

Academic Eligibility Requirements

In order to encourage and promote academic excellence, all students participating in extracurricular activities shall demonstrate satisfactory minimum progress in meeting the requirements of graduation by undertaking the prescribed course of study and meeting the standards of proficiency established by the district.

In order to be eligible for participation in extracurricular activities, a student in grades 7 and 8 shall have earned a minimum 2.0 or "C" grade point average during the preceding grading period.

(The grade point average and determination of eligibility shall be based on quarter grades.)
Seventh grade students may initially participate until their first quarter grades are issued.

Probationary Period

Upon the approval of the Superintendent or designee, the principal may grant ineligible students a probation period of not more than one quarter. Probation of less than one quarter may also be authorized. Students granted probationary eligibility must meet the required standards by the end of the probationary period in order to remain eligible for participation.

Supervision

Extracurricular activities shall be under the general supervision of school authorities and certificated employees whenever they are conducted under the name of the school district.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

35145 Public meetings

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

35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia

48850 Interscholastic athletics; students in foster care

48900 Grounds for suspension and expulsion

48930-48938 Student organizations

PENAL CODE

245.6 Hazing

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

350 Fees not permitted

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4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs receiving state financial assistance
4920-4922 Nondiscrimination in intramural, interscholastic, and club activities
5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils
5590-5596 Employment of non-certificated coaches

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1681-1688 Discrimination based on sex or blindness, Title IX
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34
106.31 Nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities
106.33 Comparable facilities
106.41 Nondiscrimination in athletic program

COURT DECISIONS

Mansourian v. Regents of University of California, (2010) 594 F. 3d 1095
Kahn v. East Side Union High School District, (2004) 31 Cal. 4th 990t
McCormick v. School District of Mamaroneck, (2004) 370 F.3d 275
Hartzell v. Connell, (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

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

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Student Fees Litigation Update, Education Legal Alliance Advisory, May 20, 2011
A Guide to Equity in Athletics
Acute Concussion Evaluation (ACE) Care Plan, 2006

Pursuing Victory with Honor, 1999

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION PUBLICATIONS

Heads Up: Concussion in Youth Sports, Tool Kit, July 2007

WEB SITES

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

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

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

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Concussion Resources:
<http://www.cdc.gov/concussion>

National Federation of State High School Associations: <http://www.nfhs.org>

National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment: <http://www.nocsae.org>

U.S. Anti-Doping Agency: <http://www.usada.org>

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www2.ed.gov/ocr>