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#### 2430 - **DISTRICT-SPONSORED CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES**

The Board of Education believes that the goals and objectives of this District are best achieved by a diversity of learning experiences, including those that are not conducted in a regular classroom but are directly related to the curriculum.

The purpose of curricular-related activities shall be to enable students to explore a wider range of individual interests than may be available in the District's courses of study but are still directly related to accomplishing the educational outcomes for students as adopted by the Board in Policy 2131.

For purposes of this policy, curricular-related activities are defined as those activities in which:

- A. the subject matter is actually taught or will be taught in a regularly offered course;
- B. the subject matter concerns the District's composite courses of study;
- C. participation is required for a particular course;
- D. participation results in academic credit.

No curricular-related activity shall be considered to be under the sponsorship of this Board unless it meets one or more of the criteria stated above and has been approved by the Superintendent.

Such activities, along with extra-curricular activities (not directly related to courses of study), may be conducted on or off school premises by clubs, associations, and organizations of students sponsored by the Board and directed by a staff advisor.

The Board shall allow nondistrict-sponsored, student clubs and activities during noninstructional time, in accordance with the provisions in Policy 5730 -- Equal Access For Nondistrict-Sponsored, Student Clubs and Activities.

Noncurricular student activities that are initiated by parents or other members of the community may be allowed under the provisions of Policy 7510 - Use of District Facilities. The Board, however will not:

- A. assume any responsibility for the planning, conducting, or evaluating of such activities;
- B. provide any funds or other resources;
- C. allow any member of the District's staff to assist in the planning, conducting, or evaluating of such an activity during the hours **the staff members/he** is functioning as a member of the staff.

No nondistrict-sponsored organization may use the name of the School District or any other name which would associate an activity with the District.

In order to be eligible for any co-curricular, interscholastic and noninterscholastic extra-curricular activity, a student must have maintained at least a 1.7 grade-point average and no more than one (1) "F" the previous nine (9) weeks for the grading period prior to the grading period in which **the students/he** wishes to participate. Students attending community or STEM schools may participate in extra- curricular activities in accordance with Policy 2430.02.

If a student who becomes ineligible under these standards improves **theirhis/her** grade point average during the current grading period enough to meet the eligibility standard, **the students/he** may be reinstated at the beginning of the next grading period.

Students identified as disabled under R.C. Chapter 3323 and the IDEA are subject to the eligibility standards established by this policy

unless specifically exempted by the express terms of their individualized education program (IEP). An IEP can specify the criteria by which a grade will be determined for [a] course[s], given the individual student's disability.

Whenever a student becomes a member of a District-established student group or national organization such as National Honor Society, in order to remain a member, **the students/he** must continue to meet all of the eligibility criteria and abide by the principles and practices established by the group or organization.

The Athletic Director and/or Principal shall require that each student athlete, who participates in either an interscholastic or intramural sport, submits Form 2431 F1 and Form 2431 F2 signed by the student and **the student'shis/her** parent or guardian, or by a person having care or charge of the student, affirming that each has received the Ohio Department of Health's concussion and head injury information sheet. The forms shall be signed and submitted on an annual basis. No student may practice or compete in interscholastic or intramural athletics until Form 2431 F1 and Form 2431 F2 are received by the Athletic Director or Principal. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in interscholastic athletics offered by a school in the District because the student has or is participating in college credit plus program as long as the student fulfills all academic, nonacademic and financial requirements.

Students shall be fully informed of the curricular-related and extra-curricular activities available to them and of the eligibility standards established for participation in these activities. Students will be further informed that participation in these activities is a privilege and not a right, and that they may be prohibited from all or part of their participation in such activities by authorized school personnel without further notice, hearing and/or appeal rights (See Policy 5610.05 - Prohibition from Extra-Curricular Activities). District- sponsored activities shall be available to all students who elect to participate and who meet eligibility standards.

**No student will be limited from wearing religious apparel while participating in interscholastic or non-interscholastic extra-curricular activities unless such apparel poses a legitimate danger to participants. If such danger is identified, the student will be offered reasonable accommodations available for the participant wearing religious apparel.**

The Superintendent shall prepare administrative guidelines to implement a program of curricular-related clubs and activities and of extra-curricular activities. Such guidelines should ensure that the needs and interests of the students are properly assessed and procedures are established for continuing evaluation of each club and activity.

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