

Co-Curricular Program

The board recognizes that the goals and objectives of the district can best be achieved by providing a broad offering of purposeful learning experiences, some of which are more appropriately conducted outside of the approved curriculum of the district. Such activities will ordinarily be conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day and will be available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate. The co-curricular program encompasses approved curriculum-related activities.

The board will approve all activities included within the Associated Student Body (ASB) program. The principal is authorized to approve curriculum-related activities that are not part of the ASB program and will make school facilities available for them and designate staff members to support and supervise them.

The district will not exclude any person from participation in the co-curricular program, deny any person the benefits of such a program or otherwise discriminate against any person in any co-curricular program on the basis of the categories identified in the district's Nondiscrimination policy.

The criteria to be used by the principal for approving curriculum-related activities are:

- A. The purposes and/or objectives will be part of a specific program or course offering;
- B. The participating students will be currently enrolled in a related course or program or possess the entry level knowledge and/or skills to successfully participate in the activity;
- C. The group will be supervised by a qualified staff member;
- D. The cost of the activity must not be prohibitive to student or district;
- E. The activity must comply with Title IX requirements;
- F. All activity must take place on school premises unless approved in advance by the school principal; and
- G. The activity must not be secretive in nature.

Curriculum related activities, whether approved by the board as part of the ASB or by the principal, must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- A. The subject matter of the activity is actually taught or will soon be taught in a regularly offered course;
- B. The subject matter of the activity concerns the body of courses as a whole;
- C. Participation in the activity is required for a particular course; or

D. Participation in the activity results in academic credit.

E. The board directs the superintendent to develop appropriate procedures for proper planning, funding, approval and implementation of all activities offered within the above guidelines.

The principal will be responsible for administering the co-curricular program in the school. An opportunity will be made available in each school for students, including those with disabilities, to participate in some aspect of the program. A survey will be conducted at least once every three (3) years to assure that the recreational and athletic activities program accurately responds to the needs and desires of both male and female students.

The district will evaluate its intramural and interscholastic program at least once each year to ensure that equal opportunities are available to members of both sexes with respect to participation in interscholastic and/or intramural programs.

Cross Reference(s)

Board Policy 2151 – Interscholastic Activities
Board Policy 3210 – Nondiscrimination
Board Policy 3510 – Associated Student Bodies
Board Policy 4260 – Use of School Facilities

Legal Reference(s)

20 USC 4071 et seq. – Equal Access Act
RCW 28A.325.020 – Associated Student Bodies – Powers and Responsibilities – Affecting
RCW 28A.600.200 – Interscholastic Athletic and Other Extracurricular Activities for Students – Authority to Regulate and Impose Penalties – Delegation of Authority – Conditions
RCW 28A.640.020 – Regulations, Guidelines to Eliminate Discrimination – Scope – Sexual Harassment Policies
WAC 392-138-010 – Definitions
WAC 392-190-025 – Recreational and Athletic Activities
WAC 392-190-030 – Recreational and Athletic Activities – Annual Athletic Evaluation
WAC 392-190-040 – Recreational and Athletic Activities – Student Athletic Interest Survey
WAC 392-190-045 – Recreational and Athletic Activities – Facilities

Management Resource(s)

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