

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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The development and sponsorship of appropriate voluntary student clubs and organizations are authorized in the District, together with the adoption by such organizations of constitutions, bylaws, rules, and regulations controlling various aspects of such organization's membership and operation. Such organizational purposes, organizational documents, and membership requirements shall be subject to approval by the Superintendent or designee prior to adoption or implementation. The Superintendent's decision of approval or disapproval may, upon request, be appealed to and reviewed by the Board.

In disciplinary situations involving possible barring, removal, or dismissal of a student from membership in such voluntary organizations, the hearing procedures set forth in FOD(LEGAL) and the Student Code of Conduct shall be followed.

THIRTEEN DAY RULE

The District shall **make no distinction between absences for UIL activities and absences for other extracurricular activities approved by the Board.** ~~not schedule nor permit students to participate in an extracurricular activity or a public performance that would require, permit, or allow a student to be absent from class in any course more than 13 times during the school year~~ **A student shall be allowed a maximum of 15 absences in a school year for extracurricular activities** through District competition. A maximum of five absences for post-District competition and four absences for UIL state competition shall be allowed. **A student may appeal to the Principal or designee to request additional absences for UIL competitions.**

USE OF DISTRICT FACILITIES

School-sponsored student groups may use District facilities with prior approval of the appropriate administrator. Other student groups may use District facilities in accordance with policy FNAB.

ELIGIBILITY

Students in an Advanced Placement, international baccalaureate course, or in an honors or dual credit course in English, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, economics, or a language other than English shall be **exempt from no pass, no play provisions. This provision shall include dual credit courses in English, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, economics, or a language other than English taught off campus or a dual credit course taught on the High School campus by university or community college personnel.** ~~eligible for participation in extracurricular and/or UIL activities with a grade of 65 or above.~~

The evaluation periods for eligibility shall be as follows:

1. Grades of all students shall be checked at the end of the first six weeks of school.

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2. Grades of ineligible students shall be checked on a three-week basis following the first six weeks of school.
3. Student eligibility status shall become effective seven days after the end of the grade evaluation period. The same rule applies if an incomplete "I" is on record. Students with an incomplete regain their eligibility when the "I" is replaced with a passing grade in the records office or the appropriate school personnel are notified.

STUDENT ACTIVITY /  
EXTRACURRICULAR  
PROGRAM

A student activity program shall be maintained in each school of the District.

All student activities shall be designed to contribute to the moral, physical, aesthetic, and social development of participating students.

The student activity program of each school shall be evaluated from time to time to determine:

1. The degree to which the program is serving the needs of the individual students.
2. The degree of contribution to the total school program.

These same determinations should be made as new activities are planned.

The desired goal for each student shall be a balanced program of appropriate academic studies and activities to be determined by the school, the parents, and the student. This should be a shared responsibility.

Staff guidance is necessary to encourage the nonparticipants who need activities and to prevent the over-enthusiastic from over-emphasizing activities at the cost of their academic performance.

Intramural programs shall be developed within the several schools that will provide opportunities for the student to experience wholesome and healthy competitive activity.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement procedures to carry out the intent of this policy.