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Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 510

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## **510 SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to impart to students, employees, and the community the school district's policy related to the student activity program.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

School activities provide additional opportunities for students to pursue special interests that contribute to their physical, mental, social and emotional well-being. They are of secondary importance in relationship to the formal instructional program; however, they complement the instructional program in providing students with additional opportunities for growth and development.

### **III. GOALS**

Co-curricular activities have multiple purposes. The goals listed here serve as ideals in the development of specific procedures in each activity.

- A. To provide students with opportunities to participate in varied activities as resources and facilities permit;
- B. To provide both competitive and noncompetitive programs;
- C. To develop competitive programs that maintain a balance between participation and making a winning effort;
- D. To assist in developing good character and self-discipline in participants;
- E. To teach a knowledge of one's own strengths and weaknesses and how to deal with them;
- F. To teach respect for all people;
- G. To develop an understanding and appreciation of the interpersonal skills required for team or community life;
- H. To teach individual and team skills;
- I. To teach safety and good physical and mental practices;

- J. To take advantage of the opportunities available for students with special interests, talents and abilities;
- K. To instill in students a desire for self-improvement and excellence;
- L. To encourage the highest standards of conduct and scholastic achievement among all participants;
- M. To develop integrity and leadership;
- N. To encourage modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat;
- O. To cooperate with related community programs;
- P. To cooperate with ISD 191 programs at either higher or lower grade levels.

#### **IV. RESPONSIBILITY**

- A. The school board expects all students who participate in school sponsored activities to represent the school and community in a responsible manner. All rules pertaining to student conduct and student discipline extend to school activities.
- B. The school board expects all spectators at school sponsored activities, including caregivers, employees, and other members of the public, to behave in an appropriate manner at those activities. Students and employees may be subject to discipline and caregivers and other spectators may be subject to sanctions for engaging in misbehavior or inappropriate, illegal or unsportsmanlike behavior at these activities or events.
- C. The superintendent or designee shall be responsible for disseminating information needed to inform students, caregivers, staff, and the community of the opportunities available within the school activity program and the rules of participation.
- D. Those students who participate in Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) activities must also abide by the league rules. Those employees who conduct MSHSL activities shall be responsible for familiarizing students and caregivers with all applicable rules, penalties, and opportunities.
- E. The school board will ensure that any funds raised for extracurricular activities will be spent only on extracurricular activities.

**Legal References:** Minn. Stat. § 123B.49 (Extracurricular Activities; Insurance)

**Cross References:** Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 422 (Policies Incorporated by Reference)

Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 503 (Student Attendance)  
Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 506 (Student Discipline)  
Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 511 (Student Fundraising)  
Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 609: (Religion) MSBA  
Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District Policy 713 (Student Activity  
Accounting)