

## STUDENT ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Participation in school activities is a privilege. School activities provide the benefits of promoting additional interests and ability in the students during their school years and for their lifetime.

Students will have an opportunity to participate in a school activity unless the activity is not offered, or the student cannot participate for disciplinary reasons. If the activity is an intramural or interscholastic athletic activity, students of the opposite sex will have a comparable opportunity for participation. Comparable opportunity does not guarantee boys and girls will be allowed to play on each other's teams when there are athletic activities available that will allow both boys and girls to reap the benefits of school activities, which are the promotion of additional interests and abilities in the students.

Student activity events must be approved by the superintendent/designee unless they involve unusual travel expense or overnight travel, in which case the Board will take action. The events must not disrupt the education program or other school district operations.

A high school student who participates in school-sponsored athletics may participate in a non-school sponsored sport during the same season, for that same sport, with approval of the activities director.

It is the responsibility of the superintendent/designee to develop administrative regulations for each school activity. These regulations will include, but not be limited to, when physical examinations will be required, how and when parents will be informed about the risk of the activity, academic requirements, and proof of insurance on the student participating in certain activities. Students wanting to participate in school activities must meet the requirements set out by the school district for participation in the activity.

Legal Reference:       20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683; 1685-1686 (2012).  
                               34 C.F.R. Pt. 106.41 (2012).  
                               Iowa Code §§ 216.9; 280.13-.14 (2013).  
                               281 I.A.C. 12.3(6), 12.6., 36.15(7).

Cross Reference:       501     Student Attendance  
                               502     Student Rights and Responsibilities  
                               503     Student Discipline  
                               504     Student Activities  
                               507     Student Health and Well-Being

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