

# LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy 6145

## Instruction

### Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities - Grades 7-12

Extra-curricular and co-curricular activities are an integral part of school life and often require as much careful planning and supervision as the academic subjects. The Board of Education recognizes that extra-curricular and co-curricular activities enrich the educational and social development and experiences of students. The district shall encourage and support student participation in extra/co-curricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program. In doing so, the Board of Education supports the principles and guidelines within the California Interscholastic Federation program, Pursing Victory with Honor. The Board of Education adopts these principles and materials for use within the Lodi Unified School District extra-curricular and co-curricular activities.

No student shall be prohibited from participating in extra/co-curricular activities related to the educational program because of inability to pay fees associated with the activity.

No extracurricular or co-curricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately, and no district student's participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities shall be required or refused, based on the student's sex, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability. Requirements for participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities shall be limited to those that are essential to the success of the activity.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that disabled students have access, to the extent possible, to extra-curricular and co-curricular activities, student organizations and school-related social events, regardless of the severity or nature of their disabilities.

Extra/co-curricular activities shall be supervised by district employees whenever they are conducted under the name of the district.

Any complaint regarding the district's extracurricular and co-curricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

In order to participate in extra/co-curricular activities, students in grades 7 through 12 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in meeting the requirements for graduation.

All students elected to student offices, or who represent their schools in extra/co-curricular activities shall have and maintain good citizenship records.

All students elected to student offices, or who represent their schools in extra/co-curricular activities shall have and maintain a 2.0 grade point average.

The Superintendent or designee may exempt from eligibility requirements extra/co-curricular activities or programs which are offered primarily for the student's academic or educational achievement.

To encourage and support academic excellence, the Board requires students in grades 7 through 12 to earn a minimum 2.0 or "C" grade point average on a 4.0 scale in order to participate in extra/co-curricular activities.

Any decision regarding the eligibility of any child in foster care or a child of a military family for extracurricular or co-curricular activities shall be made by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with Education Code 48850 and 49701.

When attending or participating in extracurricular and/or co-curricular activities on or off campus, district students are subject to district policies and regulations relating to student conduct. Students who violate district policies and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, *social probation (Rule 6145)*, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, or denial of participation in extracurricular or co-curricular activities in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. When appropriate, the Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement.

The Board of Education shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations.

Legal References: Education Code  
35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements;  
matters subject to regulation  
35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia  
48930-48938 Student organizations  
Code of Regulations, Title 5  
350 Fees not permitted  
5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils  
Hartzell v. Connell, 84 Daily Journal D.A.R. 1417 (April 20, 1984)

Management Resources

Legal Advisory

1001.90 Access to School-Related Activities and Events by  
Disabled Students, LO:3-90  
0409.87 Requirements for Pupil Participation in Extra-  
curricular and Co-curricular Activities, AB 2613,  
CIL:86/86-11

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