INSTRUCTION

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 shall ordinarily be conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day and shall be available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate. The co-curricular program may include approved curriculum related activities; intramurals; and associated student body activities including interscholastic athletics, school assemblies, publications, music, dramatics, school service, and other Board-approved activities.

The Board shall approve all activities included within the ASB program. The principal is authorized to approve other co-curricular activities, make school facilities available, and designate staff members to support and supervise approved co-curricular activities.

The criteria to be used for approving co-curricular activities are:

- A. The purposes and/or objectives shall be an extension of a specific program or course offering;
- B. The participating students should 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 shall 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;
- G. The activity must not be secretive in nature; and,
- H. Any funds collected as a result of the co-curricular program shall be deposited and expended in accord with approved District accounting procedures.

Great care will be needed to evaluate these activities and experiences in order that they may serve the uses intended and the time spent in each activity will be justified.

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

The principal shall 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 handicapping conditions, to participate in some aspect of the program. A survey shall 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 boys and girls.

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

The District is committed toward operating all co-curricular programs in a manner that not only teaches the techniques, fundamentals, and strategies of the activity but also enhances the social and emotional development of the participants and the spectators.

To this end, the superintendent is directed to establish guidelines and/or procedures, which define the respective responsibilities of school principals, activities directors, coaches, and staff members in terms of the development and implementation of the activities program in order to maximize the social and emotional development of participants and student spectators.

Cross References: (cf. 2151 Interscholastic Activities)

Legal References:

RCW 28A.600.200 Interschool athletic and other extracurricular activities for students, regulation of--Delegation, conditions RCW 28A.640.020 Regulations, guidelines to eliminate discrimination – Scope--Sexual harassment policies

WAC 392-138 Finance--Associated Student Body moneys

WAC 392-138-010 Definitions WAC 392-190-030 General--Recreational and athletic activities--Equal opportunity factors considered WAC 392-190-040 Recreational and athletic activities--Student interest--Required survey instrument 20 USC § 4071 - 4074 Equal Access Act

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