

Policy: JJ

SANCTIONING OF ATHLETIC AND EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Sanctioning is defined as the formal approval of an activity by the Board and states that the activity will be representative of the District and requires that the activity abide by Board policies and procedures.

- A. Sanctioning allows for the following:
 - 1. Use of the school name,
 - 2. Use of District transportation, resources, and facilities as approved by the Board,
 - 3. Eligibility for league play and tournament participation,
 - 4. Liability coverage under the District,
 - 5. Eligibility for school awards,
 - 6. District governance.
- B. Sanctioning does not imply funding through the District budget
- C. The Board will sanction only those activities that are consistent with Board philosophies, policies, and league guidelines established by the appropriate governing bodies.
- D. Only the Board may approve sanctioning of any co-curricular activities. Decisions will be based on recommendation of the Education Committee of the Board utilizing the following criteria:
 - 1. Gender equity,
 - 2. Impact on facilities,
 - 3. Impact on existing programs,
 - 4. Impact on administration,
 - 5. Expense,
 - 6. Availability of competition,

7. Student body interest,
 8. Community interest,
 9. Potential to field competitive teams,
 10. Alignment with Board policy,
 11. Availability of sufficient sources of funding, consideration of extraordinary costs, and other relevant data,
 12. Availability of a competent adult volunteer, advisor, or coach.
- E. Following initial sanctioning, new activities will be placed on a two-year probationary status, during which time the activities must meet any and all criteria set by the Board. At the end of the first year, the appropriate administrator must submit a report to the Education Committee of the Board and provide a recommendation with justification for a second probationary year. Following completion of the second year, the appropriate administrator must submit an interim report to the Education Committee. This report should provide a recommendation and justification for continued Board sanctioning. If timely reports are not submitted to the Board, the Board sanction shall be withdrawn.
- F. After the receipt of the one- and two-year reports, the Board shall receive a recommendation from the Education Committee regarding continuing the activity or denying sanctioning.

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