

Harrisburg School District	NEPN Code: IGD
Policy Manual	

CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Board, in the interest of affording the children attending its schools the highest level of educational experience obtainable, believes that student activities are an essential part of deliberate education in the United States. Such activities form a logical adjunct to the required or general curriculum and the elective or special curriculum.

Recognizing that student activities are a legitimate part of the school program, the Board has established the following criteria, which all student activity programs must meet:

1. Student activities must have educational value for students.
2. Student activities must be in balance with other curricular offerings in the schools.
3. Student activities must be managed in a professional manner.

GUIDELINES FOR ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

The following guidelines will govern the student activities programs:

1. Student activities are those school activities that are voluntarily engaged in by students, have the approval of the school administration, and are sponsored by the school.
2. Each school, under the direction of the principal and professional staff, will have a well-balanced and effectively administered student activity program designed to stimulate student growth and development by supplementing and enriching the curricular activities.
3. Each activity should be designed to contribute directly to the educational, civic, social, ethical, and leadership development of students involved.
4. The student activity program should receive the same attention in terms of philosophy, objectives, social setting, organization, and evaluation that is given the regular school curriculum.
5. Activities must be open to all students, regardless of race, religion, sex, national origin, or disabilities.

In addition to the above guidelines district high schools will abide by the rules and bylaws of the South Dakota High School Activities Association (SDHSAA). Membership in the SDHSAA will be renewed annually by approval of the Board.

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