

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 encompasses approved curriculum-related activities.

The board shall approve all activities included within the ASB program. The principal is authorized to approve curriculum-related activities that are not part of the ASB program and shall make school facilities available for them and designate staff members to support and supervise them.

The district will not exclude any person from participation in the co-curricular program, deny any person the benefits of such a program or otherwise discriminate against any person in any co-curricular program on the basis of the categories identified in the district's Nondiscrimination policy.

The criteria to be used by the principal for approving curriculum-related activities are:

- A. The purposes and/or objectives shall be part of a specific program or course offering;
- B. The participating students shall 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; and,
- G. The activity must not be secretive in nature.

Curriculum related activities, whether approved by the Board as part of the ASB or by the principal, must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- A. The subject matter of the activity is actually taught or will soon be taught in a regularly offered course;
- B. The subject matter of the activity concerns the body of courses as a whole;
- C. Participation in the activity is required for a particular course; or
- D. Participation in the activity results in academic credit.

The Board directs the superintendent to develop appropriate procedures for proper planning, funding, approval and implementation of all activities offered 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 disabilities, 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 each year to ensure that equal opportunities are available to members of both sexes with respect to participation in interscholastic and/or intramural programs.

Cross References: Policy 2151	Interscholastic Athletics
Policy 3210	Nondiscrimination
Policy 3510	Associated Student Bodies
Policy 4260	Use of School Facilities

Legal References:

20 U.S.C. §§ 4074	Equal Access Act
RCW 28A.600.200	Interscholastic athletic and other extra-curricular activities for students, regulation of — Delegation, conditions
RCW 28A.640.020	Regulations, guidelines to eliminate discrimination — Scope
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