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INSTRUCTION

Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities

The Superintendent must approve an activity in order for it to be considered a District-sponsored extracurricular and co-curricular activity, using the following criteria:

- 1. The activity will contribute to the leadership abilities, social well-being, self-realization, good citizenship, or general growth of student-participants.
- 2. Fees assessed students are reasonable and do not exceed the actual cost of operation.
- 3. The District has sufficient financial resources for the activity.
- 4. Student body desires are considered.
- 5. The activity will be supervised by a school-approved sponsor.

Non-school sponsored student groups are governed by Board policy, 7:330, *Student Use of Buildings – Equal Access*.

Academic Criteria for Participation

For students in kindergarten through 8th grade, selection of members or participants is at the discretion of the teachers, sponsors, or coaches, provided that the selection criteria conform to the District's policies. Students must satisfy all academic standards and must comply with the activity's rules and the student conduct code.

In order to be eligible to participate in any school-sponsored or school-supported athletic or extracurricular activity, a student must satisfy the Illinois High School Association=s scholastic standing requirements (doing passing work in at least 20 credit hours of high school work per week). Any student-participant failing to meet these academic criteria shall be suspended from the activity until the specified academic criteria are met. Students must satisfy all academic standards and must comply with the activity's rules and the student conduct code.

The Superintendent shall develop for inclusion in the Administrative Procedures Manual a detailed structure of the student activities program. The Building Principal shall be responsible for the student activities program in his school, operating them in accordance with School Board policies, administrative procedures and Superintendent directives.

Morton Unit School District 709

LEGAL REF: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.30 and 5/24-24

CROSS REFERENCE: 4:170, 7:40, 7:240, 7:300, 7:330 (student use of school buildings), 8:20

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