

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION
Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District

Instruction

6145 - AR

EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

A. Purpose and Scope

1. To outline district requirements for eligibility and participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities.
2. To specify procedures to establish eligibility for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities.

B. General

This policy and accompanying regulation recognizes that extracurricular and cocurricular activities are an extension of the district's established instructional program and may serve as a motivational factor for students.

C. Definitions

For purposes of applying eligibility criteria for student participation, extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be defined as follows:

1. Extracurricular Activities

Extracurricular activities are not part of the regular school curriculum, are not graded, do not offer credit, do not take place during classroom time, and have all of the following characteristics:

- a. The program is supervised or financed by the school district.
- b. Students participating in the program represent the school district.
- c. Students exercise some degree of freedom in the selection, planning, or control of the program.
- d. The program includes both preparation for performance and performance before an audience or spectators.

2. Cocurricular Activities

Cocurricular activities are an extension of the district's established instructional program and may serve as a motivational factor for students. An activity is not an extracurricular or cocurricular activity if either of the following conditions applies:

- a. It is a teacher-graded or a required program or activity for a course which satisfies the entrance requirements for admission to the California State University or the University of California.
- b. It is a program that has as its primary goal the improvement of academic or educational achievement of students.

3. Eligibility Requirements

- a. It is expected that all staff members will counsel with students regarding their responsibilities to meet the standards established in this regulation.
- b. In order for a student to participate in any extracurricular or cocurricular activity, the student shall maintain a grade point average of 2.0 on a scale of 4.0. If, at the end of a grading period, a student has not maintained a 2.0 grade point average, the student will be placed on probation for one grading period. Eligibility for students entering the 9th grade will be based on high school grades only. Semester grades earned during board approved summer school classes are to be utilized for computing grade point averages to determine fall eligibility.
- c. The grade point average (GPA) used to determine eligibility for extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be based on grades of the last grading period during which the student attended class at least a majority of the time. If a student was not in attendance for all, or a majority of, the grading period due to absences excused by the school for reasons such as serious illness or injury, approved travel, or work, the GPA used to determine eligibility shall be the GPA from the grading period immediately prior to the excluded grading period(s).
- d. When a student becomes ineligible to participate in extracurricular or cocurricular activities in the upcoming grading period, or when he/she is subject to probation, the principal or designee shall provide written notice to the student and his/her parent/guardian
- e. During the probationary period, a student may engage in extracurricular/cocurricular activities.
- f. Students who do not achieve a 2.0 G.P.A. at the conclusion of the probationary period (which will be the next grading period) will be deemed ineligible for participation in the extracurricular/cocurricular program and will remain ineligible until a 2.0 GPA is attained at the end of the next grading period.
- g. Students participating in interscholastic competition must also meet the requirements established by the California Interscholastic Federation.

4. Supervision

- a. All extracurricular activities conducted under the name or auspices of a district school or any class or organization of the school, regardless of where the activities are held, shall be under the direct supervision of certificated employees.

- b. Any non-certificated person supervising students in a district-sponsored extracurricular student activity program shall possess an Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing or shall have cleared a Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal background check prior to beginning his/her duties, in accordance with BP 4125, Temporary Athletic Team Coaches.

D. Reports Required

None

E. Record Retention

None

F. Responsible Administrative Unit

1. Site principal or designee
2. Deputy Superintendent - Educational Services

G. Approved by:

Candy Plahy
Responsible Division Head

5/2/2017
Date

Dr. Greg Plutko
Superintendent

5/2/2017
Date

LEGAL REFERENCE

EDUCATION CODE

Education Code 35160.5 Powers of duties: open enrollment policies

Education Code 49024 Activity supervisor clearance

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 5

5531 Supervision of Extracurricular Activities of Pupils