

BP/SP6145 Extracurricular And Cocurricular Activities
Instruction

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The Modoc County Superintendent of Schools and the Modoc County Board of Education recognize that extracurricular and cocurricular activities enrich the educational and social development of students and enhance students' feelings of connectedness with the schools. The County Office shall encourage and support student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program.

No extracurricular or cocurricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately on the basis of any actual or perceived characteristic listed as a prohibited category of discrimination in state or federal law, nor shall any student's participation in an extracurricular or cocurricular activity be required or refused on those bases. Prerequisites for student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that have been demonstrated to be essential to the success of the activity. (5 CCR 4925)

Any complaint alleging unlawful discrimination in the County Offices extracurricular or cocurricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

Unless specifically authorized by law, no fee shall be charged to students for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities related to the educational program, including materials or equipment related to the activity.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students in grades 7-12 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period, including, but not limited to:

1. Maintenance of a minimum of 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in all enrolled classes
2. Maintenance of minimum progress toward meeting high school graduation requirements

The County Superintendent or designee may grant ineligible students a probationary period not to exceed one semester. Students granted probationary eligibility must meet the required standards by the end of the probationary period in order to remain eligible for participation.

Education Code 49701 requires flexibility of districts' local rules to facilitate eligibility for extracurricular activities. See BP/AR 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families.

Any decision regarding the eligibility of any child in foster care or a child of an active duty military family for extracurricular or cocurricular activities shall be made by the County Superintendent or designee in accordance with Education Code 48850 and 49701.

The County Superintendent or designee may revoke a student's eligibility for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities when the student's poor citizenship is serious enough to warrant loss of this privilege.

Student Conduct at Extracurricular/Cocurricular Events

When attending or participating in extracurricular and cocurricular activities on or off campus, County Office students are subject to County Office policies and regulations relating to student conduct. Students who violate policies and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, or denial of participation in extracurricular or cocurricular activities in accordance with County Office policy and administrative regulation. When appropriate, the County Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement.

Annual Policy Review

The County Board shall annually review this policy and implementing regulations.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35145 Public meetings

35160.5 District policy rules and regulations; requirements; matters subject to regulation

35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia

35181 Students' responsibilities

48850 Participation of foster youth in extracurricular activities and interscholastic sports

48930-48938 Student organizations

49024 Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate

49700-49704 Education of children of military families

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 9, Section 5 Common school system

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

350 Fees not permitted

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs receiving state financial assistance

5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

COURT DECISIONS

Hartzell v. Connell, (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899

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