INSTRUCTION AR 6145 (a)

## EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

## **Definitions**

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

- 1. Extracurricular activities are not part of the regular school curriculum, are not graded to not offer credit, do not take place during classroom time, and have all 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. Co-curricular activities are programs that may be associated with the curriculum in a regular classroom.

An activity is not an extracurricular or co-curricular activity if either or the following conditions applies:

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

## **Eligibility Requirements**

The grade point average (GPA) used to determine eligibility for extracurricular and co-curricular activities shall be based on grades of the last previous 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 student for reasons such as serious illness or injury, approved travel, or work, the GPA used to determine eligibility shall be the grading period immediately prior to the excluded grading period(s).

When a student becomes ineligible to participate in extracurricular or co-curricular 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.

## **Supervision**

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.

Any non-certificated person working with 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 4127/4227/4327 – Temporary Athletic Team Coaches.

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