

Policy 510 SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to impart to students, employees and the community the school district's policy related to the student activity program.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

School activities provide additional opportunities for students to pursue special interests that contribute to their physical, mental and emotional well-being. They are of secondary importance in relationship to the formal instructional program; however, they complement the instructional program in providing students with additional opportunities for growth and development.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The school board expects all students who participate in school-sponsored activities to represent the school and community in a responsible manner. All rules pertaining to student conduct and student discipline extend to school activities. Rule violations will result in school consequences and or Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) penalties as determined by administration, such as exclusion from event, detention, ISS, OSS, or other penalties as determined by administration.
- B. The school board expects all spectators at school sponsored activities, including parents, employees, and other members of the public, to behave in an appropriate manner at those activities. Students and employees may be subject to discipline and parents and other spectators may be subject to sanctions for engaging in misbehavior or inappropriate, illegal or unsportsmanlike behavior at these activities or events. Sanctions may include: removal from the event, exclusion from future events, or other consequences as determined by administration.

Inappropriate behavior would include:

- 1. Use of tobacco, alcohol or illegal substances at school events or on school grounds.
 - 2. Attending events while under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances.
 - 3. Use of vulgar language or profanity directed toward participants or officials.
 - 4. Excessive badgering or harassment of a participant or official.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the Activities Director to disseminate information needed to inform students, parents, staff and the community of the opportunities available within the school activity program and the rules of participation.
 - D. Those students who participate in Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) activities must also abide by the league rules. It shall be the responsibility of those

employees who conduct MSHSL activities to familiarize students and parents with all applicable rules, penalties, and opportunities.

- E. The Activities Director shall be responsible for conducting an annual evaluation of school activity programs and presenting the results and any recommendations to the school board.