

Extracurricular Activities Policy

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Objective:

Provide experiences that will help develop students spiritually, emotionally, intellectually, physically and socially.

Scope:

Any student who competes in interscholastic athletics or is a member of a group that is sponsored by the school, e.g., social committee, worship team, etc.

Definitions:

Guidelines:

A. Scholastic achievement should be the primary concern of any student participating in extracurricular activities.

B. Eligibility

1. Students are eligible to participate on LCA athletic teams based on the following selection criteria applied in priority order:
 - a. LCA Student.
 - b. Grade-level eligibility for volleyball and track is 6th through 12th grade. Grade-level eligibility for all other sports is 5th through 12th grade.
 - c. Students in 4th grade and under who are interested in participating must contact the Athletic Director and request an exception. The Athletic Director will then consult with the coach to determine if it is appropriate for these students to participate in that sport for that season. There is no guaranty that 4th graders and under will be allowed to participate just because some did the previous year. Levels of teams and roster availability vary from year to year.
 - d. Home school students. Priority is given to returning students, followed by new students. There is no guaranty that home school students will be allowed to participate just because they did the previous year. Roster availability varies from year to year.

When registration numbers exceed team roster availability, a skill and readiness evaluation will be conducted of all eligible participants within the criteria item listed above where overage occurs. Skill and readiness evaluations will allow a more informed decision to be made within each of the above selection criteria.

A waiting list will be managed where necessary and candidate order will be maintained as prescribed in the above selection criteria.

2. Required fees and documentation
 - a. Students may not participate in any activities, practices, or contests until all fees are paid in full.
 - b. Students may not participate in any activities, practices, or contests until registration and waiver forms have been submitted.
 - c. Beginning in 7th grade, students participating in sports must submit a sports qualifying physical. Each physical is valid for 3 years.
3. As a disciplinary measure, the school has the right to limit eligible students' participation in extracurricular activities.
 - a. Students must maintain a passing grade in all their subjects, while carrying a minimum semester GPA of 2.0. Students would be suspended for one meeting/contest for receiving one or more failing grade(s) but would otherwise participate as usual provided they satisfy the minimum GPA requirement. The timing of the suspension is determined by the athletic director and/or Academy director. The intent is to handle the suspension with immediacy, but also giving students, parents, and coaches/team leaders adequate notice.
 - b. Eligibility is determined based on the most recent quarter or midterm grades.
 - c. Students may also be restricted from participation in accordance with the Discipline Policy.
4. Students must attend at least 4 full periods of school and have an excused absence for the hours missed to participate in any athletic contests/practices and extracurricular group activities on that day.

C. Uniform Information

- a. All uniform items provided by the school must be washed and returned no later than 2 weeks after the end of the season.
- b. The student must pay replacement costs for any uniform items that are lost or damaged to be considered eligible for participation in any extracurricular activities.