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# CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The Livingston Parish School Board shall be committed to providing for each of its schools a program of student activities to all students in a manner which allows students equal opportunity to participate in services and activities. All activities shall be in compliance with pertinent regulations of the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE).

## CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular activities are activities that are relevant, supportive, that are an integral part of the program of studies in which the student is enrolled, and that are under the supervision and/or coordination of the school instructional staff.

### EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular activities are those activities which are not directly related to the program of studies, which are under the supervision and/or coordination of the school instructional staff, and which are considered valuable for the overall development of the student.

Notwithstanding any policy, rule, or regulation adopted by the School Board to the contrary, no student otherwise eligible to participate in an extracurricular activity, including interscholastic athletics, shall be limited in the number of such activities in which the student may participate in a school year.

#### **GUIDELINES**

- 1. Co-curricular activities may be scheduled during instructional time. Participation in those activities will allow a student to be excused from attending class(es) and to make-up any classwork missed as a result of the activity.
- 2. Extracurricular activities will be scheduled at a time that will not interrupt instructional time. (Students shall not be allowed to be excused from classroom instruction for extracurricular activities, except where approved by the school principal.)
- 3. All work missed by students while participating in student activities or events shall be made up and completed in a manner that would be required of any other students in order to receive credit.
- 4. Student eligibility for co-curricular activities shall depend upon specific organizational requirements either by maintaining a certain grade average or by

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being a member of a particular class.

5. Each school principal shall establish and submit a listing of school activities which distinguish between those that are co-curricular and those that are extracurricular. Such listing shall include all clubs, groups and functions for which meetings are scheduled during the school year, and shall be made within the context of the definitions stated above.

Such listing, as established by each school principal, shall be submitted for approval to the Superintendent or designee prior to September 1 of each school year. Each revision to said list shall also be submitted and approved by the Superintendent prior to implementation of such student activity.

## SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENT PARTICIPATION

All non-academic and extracurricular services and activities shall be offered to all exceptional students in a manner that allows them equal opportunity to participate in services and activities.

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Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §17:176; <u>Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators</u>, Bulletin 741, Louisiana Department of Education; <u>Official Handbook</u>, Louisiana High School Athletic Association; Board minutes, 10-17-85, 8-6-87, 10-3-13.