

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES  
Wilmette Public Schools**

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**ACTION ITEM**

**Date: March 19, 2018**

**To: Raymond Lechner, Ph.D.**

**From: Heather Glowacki, Ed.D., Administrator for Human  
Resources**

**Subject: Third and Final Reading of Revised Board of Education Policy  
6:190 *Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities***

**PROPOSED ACTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

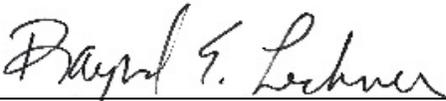
Motion to approve as Third and Final Reading of Revised Board of Education Policy 6:190 *Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities*.

**BACKGROUND**

Policy 6:190 *Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities* has been revised based on Board feedback. This policy is presented for a final read.

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**Recommended for approval by the Board of Education**



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**Dr. Raymond Lechner, Superintendent**

## Instruction

### Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities

#### Co-Curricular Clubs and Activities Policy

The Board of Education encourages participation by students and staff in activities ~~which that supplement~~ enhances the curriculum and enrich their lives. The activities offered by the District shall be of sufficient variety and number to meet the wide range of interests and needs of students.

Extracurricular or co-curricular activities are voluntary, school-sponsored programs for which some or all of the activities are largely occur outside the instructional day. They do not include field trips, homework, or occasional work required outside the school day for a scheduled class.

~~Co-curricular activity refers to an activity associated with the curriculum in a regular classroom and is generally required for class credit. Co-curricular activities are purposeful and assessable activities that learning is defined as purposeful and assessable learning that complements the academic programming, and occurings beyond the traditional classroom. These activities are led by a state licensed staff member and funded through a shared cost between the District and student activity fees. Co-curricular activities are directly linked to a District curriculum map, and in some cases, may have a dedicated curriculum map specific to the activity. Examples may include science fair, student government, Model United Nations, band, orchestra, and choir.~~

~~Extracurricular activities are purposeful and supplement academic programming, activities refers to an activity that occurings beyond the traditional classroom. These activities are led by a school approved sponsor and funded solely through student activity fees. is are not part of the curriculum, is are not graded, does not offer credits, and generally, does not take place during classroom time the school day; it includes competitive interscholastic activities and clubs. Examples may include competitive interscholastic activities, clubs, Science Olympiad and Inspired Youth Tutoring.~~

Students shall have equal access to all of the District's educational programs including co-curricular and extracurricular activities regardless of any protected classifications as identified in Board policy 7:10, Equal Education Opportunities. ~~State Board regulations state that students shall have equal opportunity to participate in and/or benefit from any educational programs or activities regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin or social or economic status.~~

The scheduling of school-sponsored activities on a night before a school day should be kept within reasonable limits age appropriate. The District seeks to will schedule all of its extracurricular and co-curricular activities within reasonable and developmentally appropriate timeframes.

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The Superintendent must approve an activity in order for it to be considered a District-sponsored extracurricular or co-curricular activity, using the following criteria:

1. The activity will contribute to the leadership abilities, social well-being, self-realization, good citizenship, or general growth of student-participants.
2. Fees assessed students are reasonable and do not exceed the actual estimated cost of operation.
3. The District has sufficient financial resources for the activity.
4. Requests from students should be thoroughly considered.
5. The activity will be supervised by a school approved sponsor.

Academic Criteria for Participation

For students in kindergarten through 8th grade, selection of members or participants is at the discretion of state licensed staff ~~the teachers, sponsors, or coaches,~~ provided that the selection criteria conform to the District's policies. Students must satisfy all academic standards and must comply with the activity's rules and ~~the~~ student conduct code.

**Adopted:**      November 10, 1997

**Revised:**