#### BP 6145 Instruction

#### **Extracurricular And Cocurricular Activities**

The Board of Trustees recognizes that extracurricular and cocurricular activities enrich the educational and social development and experiences of students. The district shall encourage and support student participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities without compromising the integrity and purpose of the educational program.

No extracurricular or cocurricular program or activity shall be provided or conducted separately and no district student's participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be required or refused based on the student's gender, sexual orientation, ethnic group identification, race, ancestry, national origin, religion, color, or mental or physical disability. Requirements for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities shall be limited to those that are essential to the success of the activity. (5 CCR <u>4925</u>)

Any complaint regarding the district's extracurricular and cocurricular programs or activities shall be filed in accordance with BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

- (cf. <u>1312.3</u> Uniform Complaint Procedures)
- (cf. 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
- (cf. 5145.7 Sexual Harassment)

No student shall be assessed a fee nor required to participate in fund raising activities in order to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities related to the educational program.

(cf. <u>3260</u> - Fees and Charges)

**Eligibility Requirements** 

The district Eligibility Policy is designed to promote academic excellence and identify the student's primary educational responsibility which is the achievement of satisfactory academic progress.

Every student in grades 9-12 who wishes to participate in the district's co-curricular and extra-curricular programs must meet all of the qualification standards listed.

- 1. Must achieve a minimum unweighted grade point average of 2.00 during the previous grading period. Eligibility shall be calculated from the first and third quarter grades and the first and second semester grades.
- 2. Must be enrolled in 20 credits.
- 3. Must have earned 20 credits during the previous semester.

4. In the event a student is determined to be academically ineligible to participate in co-curricular or extra-curricular activities during the first grading period of the upcoming school year, the student may attend summer school and petition to have the grade earned during the intervening summer session substituted for the purposes of eligibility for the grade received during the previous grading period. In those cases where the course is retaken during the summer school, the higher grade will be substituted for the lower grade and the grade point average will be recalculated to determine the student's eligibility for the first grading period of the upcoming school year.

5. If a student completes an accredited online course with a comparable title and course of study as the MDUSD course previously taken and receives a higher grade, the student may request that the higher grade be substituted for the purposes of eligibility for the grade received in the prior grading period. If the online course is completed by the end of the current grading period, then the grade, when issued and accepted by the school, may be used immediately to recalculate the student's GPA. If the online course is completed after the end of a grading period, then the grade can only be used at the conclusion of the next complete grading period.

6. There will be an eligibility waiver available upon student request for any student who fails to meet the district's minimum GPA eligibility standard. Probation will be available once during grade nine and once during grades 10-12. A student must have a minimum 1.5 GPA in order to be eligible for a GPA eligibility waiver. The eligibility waiver shall be one quarter in duration.

Every student in grades 6-8 will meet the following criteria:

- 1) Must not have any F's during the current marking period.
- 2) Students may not have any suspensions on their discipline record during the current marking period.
- 3) There will be an eligibility waiver available upon request for any student who fails to meet the above requirements. Administrators must approve any waivers to the above criteria.

Legal Reference:

## EDUCATION CODE

#### 35145 Public meetings

<u>35160.5</u> District policy rules and regulations; requirements; matters subject to regulation

35179 Interscholastic athletics; associations or consortia

48930-48938 Student organizations

## CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

<u>350</u> Fees not permitted

<u>4900-4965</u> Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs receiving state financial assistance

5531 Supervision of extracurricular activities of pupils

# UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

## COURT DECISIONS

Hartzell v. Connell, (1984) 35 Cal. 3d 899

Management Resources:

## CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES

001.90 Access to School-Related Activities and Events by Disabled Students, LO: 3-0

409.87 Requirements for Pupil Participation in Extracurricular and Cocurricular activities, AB 2613, CIL: 86/87-11

# WEB SITES

California Association of Directors of Activities: http://www.cada1.org

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