
STUDENTS - GUIDELINES GOVERNING STUDENT GROUPS

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I. Definitions

A. *Non-curriculum-Related Groups* – Groups or clubs which are not part of, nor directly related to the curriculum. (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and athletic groups are covered in Policy 6000-02.)

B. *Curriculum-Related Groups* – These organizations are those listed in the student handbooks and officially sponsored by the school.

A group is to be considered a curricular group if the subject matter is or will be taught in a regularly offered class; if the subject matter concerns the body of courses as a whole; if participation in the group is a requirement for a course; or if academic credit is granted for participation in the group.

C. *Non-instructional Time* – Time beginning one hour before regular classes begin each day and immediately after classroom instruction officially ends for the day.

D. *Sponsor* – A certificated teacher or administrator who acts as the school representative for a curriculum-related or non-curriculum-related group.

II. Guidelines

A. Membership in and attendance at non-curriculum-related groups must be voluntary and student initiated.

B. All student groups must obtain a certificated teacher or administrator who is willing to attend the groups' meetings.

C. Curriculum-related groups may meet during the school day; non-curriculum-related groups may not meet during instructional time, but may meet during non-instructional time as defined in this policy.

D. All student groups wishing to meet on school premises must obtain prior written approval by the building principal. Requests for permission shall be made in writing and include the following information:

1. The name of the group;
2. The name of the sponsor;
3. The names of the members of the group;
4. The times and dates of proposed meetings;
5. Space requirements;

6. Copies of the group's governing documents, including but not limited to, charters, constitutions, by-laws, rules and regulations, or at least the specific requirements for membership if they do not have any of the above items and a list of the adults supervising the group.