Policy

Egg Harbor Township Board of Education

2000 PROGRAM 2430 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES M

The Board of Education believes that the goals and objectives of this district are best achieved by a diversity of learning experiences, some of which are more appropriately conducted outside the regular instructional program of the school. The purpose of such co-curricular activities shall be to develop leadership capacities and good organizational skills, to aid in the socialization of students and to enable students to explore a wider range of individual interests than might be available in the regular curricular program.

The Board shall make school facilities, supplies, and equipment available and assign staff members for the support of a program of co-curricular activities for students. The Board shall maintain the program of co-curricular activities at no cost to participating students at the High School. Students may be required to provide supplies in accordance with Board Policy No. 2520 on instructional supplies and students may be required to assume all or part of the costs of travel and attendance at co-curricular events and trips.

For purposes of this policy, co-curricular activities are those activities conducted on or off school premises by clubs, associations, and organizations of students sponsored by the Board and do not include athletic competitions and practices. Co-curricular activities must be related to the curriculum but are not offered for credit toward promotion or graduation and are ordinarily conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day.

The Board will permit the use of school facilities by organizations of students during student activity periods. No group of students, regardless of the size of the group, will be denied an opportunity to meet on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at their meeting.

No co-curricular activity shall be considered to be under the sponsorship of this Board unless it has been approved by the Board on recommendation of the Superintendent. Students shall be fully informed of the co-curricular activities available to them and of the eligibility standards established for participation in co-curricular activities. Co-curricular activities shall be available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate. The Board will not permit the organization of a fraternity, sorority, or secret society.

Eligibility to Participate in Co-Curricular Activities

The Board recognizes that it has a responsibility to provide students with an opportunity to participate in co-curricular activities. The Board also realizes that its primary purpose is to educate all students to the maximum level possible. It is therefore incumbent upon the Board to require its students have a certain level of academic standards in order to participate in a co-curricular activity.

Credit Completion - students who have not fulfilled their obligation of the summer credit completion program will not be eligible to participate in any co-curricular activities.

Students placed on a "no credit status" during the year will not be eligible for co-curricular

activities for the rest of the year.

Eligibility to Participate in After School Co-Curricular Activities for Home Schooled Pupils

Homeschooled pupils will be permitted to participate in after school co-curricular activities, which do not require a class during the school day on related subject matter or an activity that occurs during the

school day.

A. The pupil shall be a resident of Egg Harbor Township

The homeschooled pupil must reside in the school district and shall meet the residency criteria pursuant to NJAC 6A:22 and Board Policy 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Pupils. The pupil

shall provide proof of residence to the registration office. Proof of residence shall be kept on file at

the appropriate district office.

B. The pupil shall comply with the requirements of the Egg Harbor Township Board of Education.

The homeschooled pupil must adhere to the same standards of behavior, responsibilities and performance as other members of the activity and all applicable Board Policies, including, but not

limited to Board Policy 5500 Expectations for Student Conduct.

C. The pupil shall be required to demonstrate equivalent education

The parents/guardians of the homeschooled student shall certify in writing that the pupil is receiving

and academically equivalent education.

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures to implement a co-curricular program and shall assess

the needs and interests of the students of this district and provide for the continuing evaluation of the

co-curricular program.

39 U.S.C.A. 1701 et seq.

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3; 18A:42-2; 18A:42-5

N.J.A.C. 6A:19-6.10

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