
Board of Education Hardyston Township

STUDENT PERFORMANCE ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURE FOR STUDENT EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

I. INTRODUCTION

Although an important and integral part of our educational offerings, extra-curricular activities should never take priority or circumvent the prime goal of our school system which is to provide a sound academic direction for our student body.

Extra-curricular activities include: Yearbook, Student Council, Intramurals, Adventure Theater, Cross Country, Soccer, Field Hockey, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Cheerleading, Boys Track, Girls Track and Gymnastics.

Year-long performance activities are: Band, Chorus, County Chorus, County Band, Select Chorus.

Participation in school activities is a privilege and will be extended only to those who demonstrate positive qualities of sportsmanship, attitude, cooperation and academic achievement.

II. PRINCIPLES

The following principles will apply to the student eligibility procedure:

- A. Students who participate in extra-curricular activities are directly responsible and under the control of their coach/advisor and subject to final review by the Administration.
- B. A student who wishes to participate in extra-curricular activities must have a "70" average (passing) in the subjects: Mathematics, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies.

Students who fall below the required average (70) in any of the four reporting subjects at the middle of the marking period posting will be immediately placed on a participatory probation. The probation period will allow the student to participate, but it is the student's responsibility to work with their teacher to bring his/her grade to the required average above. If at the end of the marking period the student has failed to bring up his/her grade(s) to the requirement above, he/she will be removed from all extra-curricular activities for the upcoming marking period.

- C. Students participating in a year-long performance activity who have any grades below a 70 in any subject at the end of the marking period will continue to participate but may not participate in lessons that occur during Mathematics, Language Arts, Science or Social Studies. They may return to the activity or regular chorus and band if they have a grade of 70 or above in all subjects at the start of the following marking period.
- D. Classified student s will be governed by their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan.

- E. Students who wish to participate in extra-curricular activities are to be in attendance in school for the day.
- F. Any student suspended from school (out-of-school or in-school) will not be permitted to participate in extra-curricular activities for that day.
- G. Students who are scheduled to attend a school sponsored trip while on probation cannot attend said trip unless parent/guardian provided payment.
- H. Students must be in compliance with the district's attendance policy.

III. REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

- A. Students must present a properly signed school form from parent or guardian granting approval and permission for participation in such interscholastic activities, including the Parent/Guardian Concussion Policy Acknowledgement Form.
- B. Students must undergo and pass a health physical administered by the appropriately appointed school medical examiner (M.D.) to participate in interscholastic and intramural athletic activities.
- C. Students shall be covered by the school district's interscholastic athletic insurance policy.
- D. No student is to participate unless the above requirements of parent's permission, M.D. physical, and insurance coverage are all acceptable and in force prior to the first practice.
- E. Students shall receive from the school district through the Head Coach such athletic equipment, including uniforms as are appropriate to the sport. Students and their parents are fully responsible for the care and maintenance of this equipment; damage because of negligence, loss (even if by misplacing or theft), shall not relieve the student/parent from the obligation of paying for the replacement of such equipment.
- F. Students must present a properly signed Participation Contract prior to participating in any after school activity.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular Activities: After school activities supervised by faculty members may be open to district residents of appropriate age who do not attend Hardyston Township School providing that those public School students who wish to participate are accommodated.

The administrator shall determine the maximum enrollment for each activity.

Legal References:

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 10:5-1 <u>et seq.</u>	Law Against Discrimination
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:11-3	Voluntary associations regulating conduct of student activities; membership; rules and regulations; appeals
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:19-14	Funds derived from pupil activities
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:35-20	Participation in courses in which verbalization unessential to understanding of subject matter; location of and children in bilingual programs
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:42-5, -6	Certain student organizations declared harmful ...
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 34:13A-1 <u>et seq.</u>	New Jersey Employer-Employee Relations Act

<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1 et seq.</u>	Managing for Equality and Equity in Education
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:8-3.2</u>	Career education and counseling
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:9-5.19</u>	Athletics personnel
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2</u>	Required health services
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:30-1.1 et seq.</u>	Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:32-9.1 et seq.</u>	Athletics Procedures
<u>N.J.A.C. 6A:32-14.1</u>	Review of mandated programs and services

20 U.S.C.A. 4071-4074 – Equal Access Act

20 U.S.C.A. 1681 et seq. – Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

Krupp v. Bd. Of Ed. Of Union County Reg. H.S. Dist. #1, 278 N.J. Super. 31 (App. Div. 1994) cert. den. 140 N.J. 277 (1994)

Good News Club v. Milford Central School, 121 U.S. 2093 (2001)

NJSIAA Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations

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