

IGDA - STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

It is the policy of the Board of School Districts to encourage the establishment of voluntary activities and organizations that shall be open to but limited to students currently enrolled at the sponsoring school, unless otherwise required by law. Such activities and organizations may establish academic qualifications for membership where necessarily related to the purposes of the activity or organization. No student shall be denied membership on account of his or her race, color, national origin, religion, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation or disability (subject to the terms and limitations of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973). Qualifications based on sex may be imposed

only where necessary to preserve the health, safety or welfare of students, or where sex is a bona fide and integral qualification for the activities of the activity or organization.

The principal shall determine whether and to what extent each school-sponsored activity and organization shall receive financial support and other school resources beyond a space for meeting, and whether additional school facilities, equipment and materials will be made available for use by each such activity and organization. The principal's determination in this regard is subject to approval by the superintendent or his/her designee.

attended by nonschool persons. A school employee shall serve as a monitor for purposes of general supervision at such meetings, and may be present at religious meetings only in a nonparticipatory capacity.

Each approved student-initiated and led organization may post information about the organization and notices of its meetings on the school's website and on bulletin boards and/or wall space designated by the principal. Postings on designated bulletin boards and wall space shall be on District-approved forms. Notices of meetings may also be apprT mr ralre

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Nothing in this policy shall be construed to authorize any school official to influence the form or content of any prayer or religious activity, to require any person to participate in prayer or religious activity, to compel any school employee to attend any meeting if the meeting is contrary to the beliefs of the employee, or to sanction meetings that are otherwise unlawful.

Approved student-initiated and led organizations must re-apply for continuing status each school year by written application submitted to the principal and the superintendent's designee on District-approved forms.

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LEGAL REFS:

Equal Access Act, 20 U.S.C. 4071-4074