Hickman County Board of Education

	Descriptor Term: **Extracurricular Activities**	Descriptor Code: **4.300**	Issued Date: **06/05/22**
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The following guidelines shall be followed in administering the student activities program:

1. The Board shall initially approve each specific extracurricular activity so that proper support and supervision may be assured.

2. The principal, after obtaining the recommendation of the faculty and the director of schools, shall determine which clubs and organizations will be permitted.

3. Each student activity must be under the guidance and direction of a certificated staff member.

4. All student activities must have the approval of the principal.

5. Student activities occurring before or after regularly scheduled school hours must be under the supervision of the principal or his/her designee.

6. Secret organizations shall not be operated in any school.

7. A student shall not be required to attend a school-sponsored student activity that is scheduled at a time which conflicts with his religious practices.[1]

8. School-sponsored student activities during vacation periods shall be restricted to regularly scheduled athletic programs and major events which cannot be scheduled otherwise.

9. Student groups shall not participate in state or national activities which are not listed as approved activities by regional accrediting associations or state and national principals' associations without the approval of the director of schools.

10. A student on out-of-school suspension shall not be permitted to participate in school-sponsored activities.

11. Activities which restrict participation because of race, color, religion, sex, disabilities, or national origin are forbidden.[2]

12. Activities sponsored by outside groups or agents will be approved only if they are co-sponsored by the school.

STUDENT CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS[3]

All students under the age of eighteen (18) shall present a signed and dated statement from their parent/guardian before joining any club or organization or participating in activities of a club or organization. The Director of Schools shall develop administrative procedures outlining this recordkeeping process.

Legal References

1. TCA 49-6-1002(c)
2. 34 CFR § 106.41
3. Public Acts of 2023, Chapter No. 353

Cross References

Special Use of School Vehicles 3.402
Interscholastic Athletics 4.301
Field Trips and Excursions 4.302
Attendance 6.200