

## **EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### **Definitions**

*Extracurricular activities* are those programs that have all of the following characteristics: (Education Code 35160.5)

1. The program is supervised or financed by the school district.
2. Students participating in the program represent the school district.
3. Students exercise some degree of freedom in the selection, planning or control of the program.
4. The program includes both preparation for performance and performance before an audience or spectators.

Extracurricular activities are not part of the regular school curriculum, are not graded, do not offer credit and do not take place during classroom time. (Education Code 35160.5)

*Cocurricular activities* are programs that may be associated with the curriculum in a regular classroom. (Education Code 35160.5)

Any teacher-graded or required program or activity for a course which satisfies the entrance requirements for admission to the California State University or the University of California is not an extracurricular or cocurricular activity for purposes of this policy. (Education Code 35160.5)

### **Determining Eligibility**

The grade point average used to determine eligibility shall be based on grades of the previous grading period during which the student attended class at least a majority of the time. "Previous grading period" does not include any grading period when the student was absent for all or a majority of the time due to absences excused for reasons such as serious illness, injury, approved travel, or work. In such cases, the "previous grading period" is the grading period immediately prior to the excluded period or periods. (Education Code 35160.5)

In the event a student finds that he/she is academically ineligible to participate in extra/co-curricular activities in the first grading period of the upcoming year, he/she may request that the total spring and summer school grades be used to determine eligibility for the first grading period of the upcoming school year.

When students are simultaneously enrolled in college classes for which they receive credit toward high school graduation, their college grades shall be included in the computation of their grade point average.

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Receiving an Incomplete shall have no effect on a student's academic eligibility as long as the resolution of the Incomplete would not lower his/her grade point average below 2.0. If the resolution of an Incomplete could lower the student's grade point average to below 2.0, the student shall be considered ineligible until the Incomplete is removed and the grade point average determined.

*(cf. 6164.5 - Student Success Teams)*

*(cf. 6176 - Weekend/Saturday Classes)*

*(cf. 6177 - Summer School)*

*(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)*

**Probationary Period**

Probation of one semester or less may be authorized by the Superintendent or designee. Students granted probationary eligibility must meet the required standards by the end of the probationary period in order to remain eligible for participation.