

I. Student Activities

Section A

Through their very nature, extra-class activities provide meaningful learning experiences found in no other area of the school and, thus, are an integral part of the total process of education. The values students gain through participation in clubs, organizations and activities supplement, complement and promote the academic life of the school. Students have the opportunity to develop new friendships, to lead and to follow, to develop leisure-time activities, to extend classroom interests, and to grow socially and emotionally. Student learn to know and appreciate the friendliness and guidance to be gained through adult contacts; they acquire a sense of belonging through identification with a small group within the school. Activities provide some area of responsible leadership for each student and encourage those with the capacity for outstanding leadership to use it constructively. Students learn how to evaluate and define good leadership and are helped to acquire their own personal code of conduct which determines and directs their behavior.

Section B

The Board of Education believes that the school should provide a wide variety of extra-curricular activities sponsored by the district. This section in no way implies that students shall be coerced, forced, or required to participate in any activity. Participation in activities shall be voluntary.

Section C

The Board of Education or its designated representatives shall approve all class organizations, clubs, associations, activities and the purposes of each.

Section D

Approval of new student organizations, clubs, associations, activities, and intramural or interscholastic athletic teams will be based upon the fulfillment of the following criteria:

1. Interest in activity has been shown by a sufficient number of students.
2. The function of the activity can best be performed by the Glenbrook High Schools rather than some other agency, public or private.
3. The objectives of the activity are in harmony with the philosophy of the Glenbrook High Schools.
4. The availability of a sponsor/coach who is interested and enthusiastic in the activity's primary function.
5. Overnight excursions are not imperative to the success of the activity.
6. Availability and approval of funding.

Section E

All student organizations, clubs, associations, and activities shall be subject to the administrative procedures set forth by the principal or his designated representatives in each school.

Section F

No student will be denied the protected right to membership in any school-chartered student organization because of his religion, race, creed, color, or economic status. Critical examination and the balanced presentation of differing views on controversial issues are encouraged. It is expected that student organizations will remain free from advocacy of religious, political, or ideological partisanship.

II. Eligibility

Section A

It shall be the policy of the Board of Education that all students who participate in any "school-sponsored or school-supported athletic or extra curricular activity" (hereafter referred to as "activity") shall be in compliance with the Scholastic Standing provisions specified in the current Athletic Eligibility By-Laws promulgated by the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). A student who fails to meet the minimum standards for Scholastic Standing set forth in the IHSA Athletic Eligibility By-Laws shall be suspended from further participation in every activity until eligibility is re-established in accordance with the IHSA Athletic Eligibility By-Laws.

Section B

The administration is directed to establish, implement and enforce procedures governing the administration of this policy and shall distribute copies of this policy and its related rules and procedures to all parents, students and staff members on an annual basis. The administration shall maintain records on the number and length of suspensions imposed under this policy.

Sources: Regulations Concerning the Operation of Activity Funds, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction as prescribed by the School Code Of Illinois: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.19 (3).

Student's Rights and Responsibilities, Glenbrook High Schools.

The School Code of Illinois (105 ILCS 5/10-20.30)

IHSA Athletic Eligibility By-Laws

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