

STUDENT CONTESTS AND TOURNAMENTS

POLICY: Involvement of students in contests sponsored by agencies outside the school district and which require no out-of-district travel shall be approved in advance by the building principal in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Student involvement shall have only minimal impact on instructional time.
2. Student involvement shall be truly voluntary.
3. Contest activity shall be such as to enhance basic educational goals of the instructional program.
4. Any materials used shall be judged as making a direct contribution to educational value, being factually accurate and being in good taste.

Competitions/Tournaments

Persons involved in coaching an individual or team in competition shall be expected to attend the competition. The participating student(s) shall be excused from class. During the competition a coach or coaches who are district staff members shall be excused from regular duties.

Those students and coaches participating in district and regional competition shall be supported by the district to the extent of fees and transportation upon approval of the supervising administrator.

District-sponsored competition at the sectional and state level shall be supported by the district to the extent of fees, transportation, and lodging.

Participating in national competition shall be limited to those approved by:

- 1) Board of Education - (Requests for approval must be presented 60 days in advance). Level of support shall be determined at time of approval.
- 2) Other – Superintendent approval and brought to the attention of the board for recognition.

In all cases there is no allowance for meals, unless reimbursed.

Other students may attend as spectators and may be excused from class with parental permission. Students traveling by district transportation shall be supervised. The district does not accept supervisory or financial responsibility for any other students in attendance as spectators.

Students participating in events outlined in this policy shall be expected to behave in accordance with all established rules of student conduct.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Wisconsin Statutes 120.13(1); 895.437

CROSS REFERENCE: Rule #370 – Guidelines for Co-curricular Competition and Leadership Conference Attendance