## **Student Activities**

#### Extracurricular Activities—

There is no constitutional right to participate in extracurricular activities and student government, and this policy does not create such a right.

Students who participate in student government and extracurricular activities become role models for others in the school and community. These individuals often play major roles in establishing standards of acceptable behavior in the school and community and establishing and maintaining the reputation of the school and the level of community confidence and support afforded the school. It is of the utmost importance that those involved in student government, whether as officers or advisors, and those involved in competitive athletics and related activities, whether students or staff, comply with all applicable laws and standards of behavior and conduct themselves at all times in a manner befitting their positions and responsibilities.

Utah Code § 53G-8-209 (2019)

## Participation Eligibility—

A student in grades 7-12 may participate in extracurricular activities on or off campus at the beginning of the school year.

In order to be eligible to participate in an extracurricular activity event for a grade report period following the initial grade report period of a school year, a student shall not have a recorded grade point average lower than 2.0 for the preceding grade report period and have no failing or incomplete courses for the preceding grade report period.

#### **Prohibited Conduct—**

The following prohibited conduct may render a student ineligible for and/or unable to continue participation in student government and/or extracurricular activities, if occurring while the student is in the classroom, on school property, or during school-sponsored activities, regardless of location or circumstances:

- 1. Use of foul, abusive, or profane language while engaged in school-related activities;
- 2. Illicit use, possession, or distribution of controlled substances or drug paraphernalia, and the use, possession, or distribution of an electronic cigarette as defined in Utah Code § 76-10-101, tobacco or alcoholic beverages contrary to law; or
- Hazing, demeaning, or assaultive behavior, whether consensual or not, including behavior involving physical violence, restraint, improper touching, or inappropriate exposure of body parts not normally exposed in public settings, forced ingestion of any substance, or any act which would constitute a crime against a person or public order under Utah law.

Utah Code § 53G-8-209 (2019)

#### Suspension from Extracurricular Activities—

A student whose recorded report period grade average in any course is lower than 2.0 at the end of a grade report period shall be suspended from participation in any extracurricular activity event during succeeding grade report periods until the end of a grade report period during which the student achieves a course grade average for that grade report period of at least 2.0 in each course. This suspension shall become effective seven days after the last day of the grade report period during which the grade lower than 2.0 was earned.

### Students with Disabilities—

Suspension of a student with disabilities whose disability significantly interferes with the student's ability to meet regular academic standards shall be based on the student's failure to meet the requirements of the student's Individual Education Plan, as determined by the Special Education Committee.

### **Out-of-School Practice—**

A student who has been suspended from extracurricular activity events shall also be suspended from out-of-school practice in extracurricular activities until suspension from participation has been lifted.

### Limit on Suspension—

A student may not be suspended under this provision during the period in which school is recessed for the summer or during the initial grade reporting period of a regular school term on the basis of grades received in the final grade report period of the preceding regular school term.

#### Reinstatement to Extracurricular Activities—

At the end of any grade report period in which a student attains a course grade average for that period of 2.0 or more in each course taken, any suspension from participation in extracurricular activities and/or suspension from out-of-school practice for extracurricular activities shall be removed.

#### Practice and Performance-

Schools shall comply with the rules and regulations of the Utah High School Activities Association in scheduling and conducting practices and performances of competitive play.

#### Classes—

Schools shall not schedule full-year physical education or athletic fitness and movement classes for specific school teams. In schools where in-season fitness and movement classes are scheduled, the classes shall not be used to violate the starting and stopping dates for practice and competitive play as prescribed by the UHSAA. High school competitive sports programs shall be supplementary to the high school curriculum.

Utah Admin. Rules R277-605-2 (December 8, 2016)

Athletic classes conducted for specific school teams shall not be scheduled throughout the regular school day. First and last period athletic assignments may not preclude a coach from teaching a full load of classes during the school day.

#### Off-Season Clinics—

Required or voluntary participation in summer or other off-season sports clinics, workshops, and leagues may not be used as criteria for team membership or for the opportunity to try out for team membership. School personnel, activity leaders, coaches, advisory and other personnel shall not require students to attend out-of-school camps, clinics or workshops for which the personnel, activity leaders, coaches or advisory personnel receive remuneration from a source other than the school or district in which they are employed.

A summer workshop or clinic conducted by a school for any sport or activity shall be scheduled and held consistent with UHSAA bylaws and policies.

Utah Admin. Rules R277-605-4 (December 8, 2016)

## Supervision—

Coaches and other designated school leaders shall diligently supervise players at all times while on school-sponsored activities, including during the activity itself, in locker rooms, seating areas, eating establishments, lodging facilities and during travel. Coaches and school leaders accompanying school players and teams shall at no time leave them unsupervised. Coaches, assistants, and advisers shall not permit hazing, demeaning, or assaultive behavior (whether consensual or not), including behavior involving physical violence, restraint, improper touching, inappropriate exposure of body parts not normally exposed in public settings, forced ingestion of any substance, or any act which would constitute a crime against a person or public order under Utah law.

Utah Admin. Rules R277-605-3(1), (3) (December 8, 2016)

#### Example—

A coach or other designated school leader shall not participate in the use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco (including electronic cigarettes), controlled substances, or promiscuous sexual relationships while on school-sponsored activities.

<u>Utah Admin. Rules R277-605-3(2) (December 8, 2016)</u> <u>Utah Code § 53G-8-209(2) (2019)</u>

### "20-day Rule"—

The District shall not schedule, nor permit students to participate in, any school-related or school-sanctioned activities on or off campus that would require, permit, or allow a student to be absent from class in any course more than twenty (20) times during the 180-day school year.

## Exceptions—

The Board may allow specific exceptions to the twenty (20) absences per class limitation stated above. Such exceptions shall be made only on behalf of individual students who are competing in post-district competitions sponsored by organizations approved by

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the Board. The exception shall be based on circumstances that are unforeseen and that result from the student's earning the right to compete at post-district levels. Exceptions shall not exceed a total of five additional absences per year. Exceptions shall not be granted to allow students who have not earned the right to compete at the post-district level to participate in more district-level activities than permitted under the twenty (20) absences per class limitation.

#### **Definitions**—

Definitions of curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities shall be as follows:

1. Curricular activities occur within the regular school day and constitute the delivery of instruction to students in the District.

Co-curricular activities are an extension of classroom instruction in which participation is by the entire class or a significant portion thereof. They relate directly to, and enhance student learning of, essential elements through participation, demonstration, illustration, and observation. Co-curricular activities are included in the teacher's instructional plan and are conducted by or supervised by a classroom teacher or other educational professional such as a librarian, school nurse, counselor, or administrator. Students suspended from extracurricular activities because of a grade point average below 2.0 may be allowed to participate depending upon the school administrator's discretion.

Absences for participation in co-curricular activities that require a student to miss a class other than the sponsoring class or course shall be counted under the 20-day rule.

2. Extracurricular activities are school-sponsored activities that are not directly related to instruction of the essential elements, but that may have an indirect relation to some areas of the curriculum. They offer worthwhile and significant contributions to a student's personal, physical, and social development. Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege and not a right, and students must meet specific requirements in order to participate. Activities may include, but are not limited to, performances, contests, demonstrations, displays, and club activities.

## KCSD ACTIVITY AGREEMENT / CODE OF CONDUCT

Participation in extra-curricular activities is a privilege. Students are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner both on and off campus.

## **Initial Eligibility**

To be considered eligible to participate in any extra-curricular activity, a student must have: A term GPA of 2.0 and No failing grades in the preceding grading period. The only exception is that failing grades in the final grading period of the year may be made up for eligibility purposes in the summer prior to the new school year by approved school methods. Students may try out but cannot practice or play until the ineligible term has concluded. Academic eligibility for

home school students participating under Policy FFD shall be determined as provided in that policy.

Health and accident insurance (physical examination by a medical doctor is required). Payment of all fees (waivers where applicable). Enrollment in the school or eligibility as determined under Policy FFD.

These regulations also apply to students who are entering high school for the first time.

## Concurrent Enrollment

Concurrent Enrollment grades in relation to eligibility only apply to final grades.

## **Eligibility During Grading Terms**

Students must maintain grades of D- or higher in high school course work excluding Concurrent Enrollment. Compliance with the school's attendance policy. During the grading term, students can practice, but not play or perform until the infraction has been cleared by the teacher and principal.

# Safe School Policy Violation

In accordance with the Safe School Policy, students who are suspended or expelled are not allowed to participate in any practice, meet, match, competition or performance during the period of the suspension or expulsion.

# Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco and Illegal Behavior

Limitation for participation of students regarding the use of alcohol, tobacco products and other drugs during a sports season, or participating in illegal conduct, whether prosecuted or not, on or off campus:

First Offense: A two week (14 day) suspension by the coach from games, meets, matches, competitions or performances. Practice may continue.

**Second Offense**: A six week (42 day) suspension by the coach from games, meets, matches, competitions or performances. Practice may continue.\*

**Third Offense**: An eighteen week (126 day) suspension by the coach from all games, meets, matches, competitions, performances and practices.

\*For drugs, alcohol and tobacco offenses, practice may continue following a personal assessment of the student by a licensed substance abuse intervention or treatment program and/or participation in a district approved intervention program. Reinstatement at the end of any suspension is predicated upon successful participation in an intervention program. Costs related to licensed substance abuse intervention or treatment are the responsibility of the student's parent or guardian.

# **Schedule Approval Dates:**

The schedule for Fall sports such as football, volleyball, cross country, golf, and baseball (VHS) must be presented to the school board in May for their consideration with final approvals in June. The schedule for Winter sports such as wrestling, boys/girls basketball, and drill team must be presented to the school board in August with final approval in September. The schedule for Spring sports such as baseball, softball, track, and golf (VHS) must be presented to the school board in November with final approval in December. A school may submit their schedules to the board prior to the dates specified.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

#### KCSD ACTIVITY AGREEMENT / CODE OF CONDUCT

## **Profanity**

Use of foul, abusive, or profane language while engaged in school related activities is prohibited.

## No Fresh Start

Violations carry over year to year and sport/activity to sport/activity in a participant's career (there is no "fresh start" each year). Violations must occur and be discovered during a sport/activity season. Any violation beyond the third offense carries the same penalty as the third offense.

## **Appearance**

Students that participate in extracurricular activities are required to dress at a higher level on game/activity/competition days than on regular school days.

Extreme hair styles, extreme make up and untrimmed facial hair is not allowed.

## Other Guidelines

Any other guidelines imposed by a coach or advisor must have the support of team/activity members, the principal and the school community council and be written and attached to this Code of Conductform.

## **Due Process**

Students and parents will be notified, in writing, of all conditions regarding suspension. Students and parents have the right to appeal to the school principal in writing within 15 days of any decision. An appeal of the principal's decision is directed to the Superintendent. An appeal of the Superintendent's decision is directed to the Kane Board of Education.

## Permission to Exceed District Policy

Schools within the District may have standards which exceed this policy if approved by the School Board, School Administrator and Community Councils.

I have read and understand this code of conduct and acknowledge that it applies to involvement in extracurricular activities during the season of play. I agree to follow all terms, conditions and consequences.

Student Signature/Date	
Parent Signature / Date	

## Kane County School District Protocol for Bus Trips (Addendum to Policy FF)

The following are bus standards, rules and expectations for students and chaperones/advisors/coaches for activity/field trips involving students in Kane County Schools.

Student/Chaperone/Advisor/Coach Protocol for Bus Trips

- There needs to be a ratio of one (1) chaperone/advisor per ten (10) 1. students on activity/field trips outside the city limits. One chaperone/advisor must be designated as the lead person and will be in charge during the trip. Exception: Utah High School Activities Association sanctioned activity trips are excluded from the one (1) chaperone per ten (10) students rule if the number of advisors/coaches does not meet the criteria. All other aspects of this policy are applicable.
- Prior to the bus departing, the lead chaperone must explain proper bus behavior to students.
  - Students should remain seated unless they are moving with a) chaperone approval.
  - Students must keep their hands, feet and mouth to b) themselves.
  - Students should avoid any offensive language, gestures or acts that c) would violate any school or district policy (i.e., Safe Schools or Sexual Harassment policy, etc.)
  - d) The noise level should be moderate or lower. No loud talking, yelling or screaming.
  - e) The aisles of the bus must remain open at all times. (No sitting, standing, or lying in the aisles or on the reardeck).
  - f) Students are required to report any inappropriate conduct to a chaperone when they become aware of it. Chaperones, in turn, need to immediately report inappropriate incidents to the lead chaperone.
  - Students who feel harassed, threatened or abused have an obligation g) to report the misconduct to an advisor/chaperone.
  - h) Trash needs to be properly disposed of in the trash cans available on the bus.
- Chaperones/Advisors/Coaches must supervise bus students at all times. 3.
  - Chaperones must be seated at the back, middle, and front of the bus at all times.
  - If student numbers limit the number of chaperones available and a b) choice has to be made as to where to sit, the priority will be back, middle and front in thatorder.

c) At least one chaperone in each position will be responsible for student behavior at all times.

Precautions need to be taken to ensure that overcrowding is not an issue and that there is room for coats, blankets, pillows, etc. that take up space on the bus.

- The bus driver's responsibility is to transport the students safely to the destination. Cooperation between the bus driver, chaperones and students is paramount. Discretion should be used by all to find a proper balance between students enjoying the trip and student conduct becoming a distraction and disturbance.
- Prior to the beginning of each school year, students will be required to sign this form indicating their willingness to abide by bus rules and guidelines on all trips. Chaperones need to sign this form prior to each trip unless thetrip is part of a season associated with UHSAA; in that case, this form can be signed once at the beginning of the season for trips associated with the activity.

Chaperone Signature	Date
Student Signature	Date

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## **Student Activities**

### KANE SCHOOL DISTRICT CONTEST LIMITATIONS

Additional Requirements: 150 mile restriction on scheduling contests with the provision to request an exemption from the school board for extenuating circumstances. Stadium lights may be used at the discretion of the building administrator. Stadium lights will be locked with the access key given to the building administrator. Freshman games which require students to miss school time must be played simultaneously with JV when possible.

Contests	KCSD FF Policy
Football	9+1
Volleyball	14+2 Tournament
Cross Country	7
Golf	7
Boys Basketball	17 plus up to 4 additional games on Sat, with 2 games at home.
Girls Basketball	17 plus up to 4 additional games on Sat, with 2 games at home.
Wrestling	16 Contact Points
Baseball	18 plus up to 4 additional games on Sat, with 2 games at home.
Softball	18 plus up to 4 additional games on Sat, with 2 games at home.
Track	8
Drill	3
Music	3
Drama	2
Speech and Debate	3

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Principals

FROM:Superintendent

SUBJECT: Monday Night Closure of Buildings to

Student Activities DATE: February 9,2009

The Kane School Board voted in its February 5 Board Meeting to close all District buildings and grounds to school activities at 7:00 p.m. on Monday evenings. This means that all school sponsored events, activities or meetings involving students must be over in time for students to be out of the buildings and off playing fields by 7:00 p.m.

Extenuating circumstances which may require an exception to this directive must have prior approval from the superintendent.

Thank you.