379 STUDENT CONTESTS

The Board approves a selective policy of student participation in contests. However, participation in any such activities must be on a purely voluntary basis and may not interfere with the instructional program. In the high schools, the policy of the National Association of Secondary School Principals relative to contests shall serve as a guide.

No contest of an individual or district-wide nature shall be conducted during the school year, which has not had prior approval by the building principal and the superintendent. Building principals shall evaluate, schedule and give initial consent to participate in district-wide contests. Final approval for participation shall be given by the superintendent.

Teachers are not to screen entries or selection for any contest unless provision was made prior to said contest.

Where students agree to participate in any activity sponsored by an outside organization, it shall be the responsibility of the sponsoring organization to assume the management of the contest, providing the students with detailed information, instructions, and rules governing the activity.

At no time will pressure be applied to enjoin students to participate in any contest sponsored by outside organizations.

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