

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: EXTRACURRICULAR
PARTICIPATION BY HOME
EDUCATION STUDENTS

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<p>1. Authority SC 511, 1327.1 Pol. 122, 123, 137</p> <p>2. Guidelines</p> <p>Pol. 137, 204</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">137.1. EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION BY HOME EDUCATION STUDENTS</p> <p>The Board shall approve participation in the district’s extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs by a student enrolled in a home education program who meets all the conditions stated in Board policy.</p> <p>The Board shall not provide individual transportation for students enrolled in home education programs who participate in the district’s extracurricular activities or interscholastic athletic programs. When the district provides transportation to and from an away competition, game, event or exhibition and requires district students to use district transportation, home education students shall be required to use the transportation provided by the district.</p> <p>Students attending home education programs shall be given an equal opportunity to compete for positions and participate in district extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs.</p> <p>A home education student may participate in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs only at the school building the student would be assigned to if s/he was enrolled in the school district.</p> <p>At least one (1) week prior to the start date of an activity or program the home education student shall be required to register and submit required documents and written verification of eligibility to the building principal or designee.</p> <p>The building principal or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of the home education student, in writing, of the date the student shall be eligible to participate in the desired activity or program.</p> <p>To be considered in attendance in accordance with Board policy, the home education student must participate in a full, normally scheduled academic program, in accordance with the planned home education program and submitted documentation.</p>
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<p>Pol. 122, 123</p> <p>Pol. 123</p> <p>Pol. 122, 123, 218</p> <p>SC 511, 1327.1</p> <p>Pol. 204</p> <p>SC 1327.1 Pol. 123</p>	<p>The following conditions shall govern participation in the district’s extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs by home education students, who shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be a resident of the school district. 2. Meet the required eligibility criteria. 3. Maintain appropriate insurance coverage, consistent with the coverage requirements for district students. 4. Comply with Board policies and school rules and regulations regarding extracurricular activities, interscholastic athletics, and student discipline. 5. Comply with policies, rules and regulations, or their equivalent, of the activity’s governing organization. 6. Meet attendance and reporting requirements established for all participants of the activity or program. 7. Meet the requirements for physical examinations and physical fitness and any height and/or weight restrictions. 8. Comply with all requirements and directives of the district staff, coaches and administrators involved with the extracurricular activity or interscholastic athletic program. <p>If a class for credit held during the school day by the school district is required for participation in activities that take place outside of the class, home education students shall not be eligible to participate in such activities.</p> <p>If a class for credit held during the school day by the school district is required for participation in an activity that takes place outside of the class, home education students may petition the Superintendent to audit the class in order to meet the eligibility requirement for participation in the activity that takes place outside of the class. Such petitions shall be granted subject to the student meeting any other prerequisites and there is space in the class after students enrolled in the school district have had the first opportunity to enroll in the for-credit class. Continued participation in the activity outside of class shall be dependent on regular attendance at and participation in the for-credit class. The student shall be responsible for all transportation and costs associated with his/her auditing the for-credit class and participating in the related out-of-class activities.</p>
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<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The building principal or designee shall ensure that home education students have access to information regarding the district’s extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs.</p> <p>The building principal or designee shall receive and review verification from the parent/guardian that a student has met and continues to meet the established eligibility criteria for an extracurricular activity or interscholastic athletic program.</p> <p>The building principal or designee shall distribute information regarding eligibility criteria and student participation in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics to all affected by them.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 511, 1327.1</p> <p>Board Policy – 122, 123, 137, 204, 218</p>
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