

Community Relations

Public Activities Involving Staff, Students or School Facilities -- Relations Between Public and Students -- Contests for Students

Contests and Educational Programs

A. Primary Objectives

1. The primary objective of an activity is to benefit students in educational, civic, social, and ethical development. It should be educationally sound and stimulating to the students.
2. Contests are to be developed with abilities, interests, and anticipated value for students being considered.

B. Sponsoring Group

1. The activity is to be provided by a reputable organization. Preference may be given to local organizations.

C. Restrictions

1. The activity must not be considered commercial, controversial, or sectarian.
2. Educational materials must be appropriate to the age and grade, and must correlate with District instructional programs.
3. The activity must not place undue burdens on students, teachers, or the school.
4. The student or school shall not be required to pay an entry fee or to purchase materials in order to participate.
5. The activity must not require frequent absences of participants from school.
6. New projects should not duplicate any already being sponsored by another organization.
7. Prizes and awards are to be approved at the time of application.

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D. Instructional Time and Application Procedures

1. Projects, contests, and programs should be submitted for screening and evaluation during the school year prior to the year of implementation but projects not submitted in the prior year may be approved by the Superintendent or designee.
2. The activity must be coordinated with existing curriculum and not conflict with required instructional minutes in the subject areas.
3. The proposal is to include the time required for teacher in-service if needed, and a detailed procedure describing that process.
4. The proposal is to identify the anticipated number of instructional minutes to be devoted daily, weekly, and total time.

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