

# FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: EXTRACURRICULAR  
PARTICIPATION BY HOME  
EDUCATION STUDENTS

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<p>1. Authority SC 511, 1327.1 Pol. 137</p> <p>Pol. 122, 123</p> <p>2. Guidelines</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 if all of the following conditions are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The student is a resident of the school district.</li> <li>2. The student fulfills all eligibility criteria, or their equivalent, required for participation in an activity or program by district students, in accordance with Board Policy 122 Extracurricular Activities and/or Policy 123 Interscholastic Athletics.</li> </ol> <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, and shall be responsible for providing their own transportation to/from the departure site, if home transportation is not provided to all students of 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 only in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs at the school building the student would be assigned to if s/he was enrolled in the school district.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p>
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<p>Pol. 204</p>	<p>Prior to trying-out or joining an activity, a home education student shall submit required documents and written verification of eligibility to the building principal or designee.</p> <p>To be considered in attendance in accordance with Board Policy 204 Attendance, the home education student must participate in a full, normally scheduled academic program, in accordance with the planned home education program.</p> <p>The following guidelines shall govern participation in the district’s extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs by home education students, who shall:</p>
<p>Pol. 122, 123</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meet the same eligibility criteria, or their equivalent, required of district students, in accordance with applicable Board policies and administrative regulations.</li> <li>2. Maintain appropriate insurance coverage, consistent with the coverage requirements for district students.</li> </ol>
<p>Pol. 122, 123, 204, 218</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Comply with Board policies and school rules and regulations regarding extracurricular activities, interscholastic athletics, and student discipline.</li> </ol>
<p>SC 511</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Comply with policies, rules and regulations, or their equivalent, of the activity’s governing organization.</li> <li>5. Meet attendance and reporting requirements established for all participants of the activity or program.</li> <li>6. Meet the requirements for physical examinations and physical fitness and any height and/or weight restrictions.</li> <li>7. Comply with all requirements and directives of the district staff, coaches and administrators involved with the extracurricular activity or interscholastic athletic program.</li> </ol>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</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 district shall distribute information regarding eligibility criteria and student participation in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics to all affected by them.</p>

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	<p>The district shall develop a procedure to ensure that home education students have access to information regarding the district's extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic programs.</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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