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9.11 SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SUPERVISION

Purpose

Vanguard Academy Board of Trustees recognizing that extra-curricular activities bring to students' breadth of experience, leadership training, and citizenship values not always provided in subject matter courses, the Board encourages the school administrators and faculties to determine, plan, and execute, with the approval of the Board, those student activities which in their good judgment will implement, support, parallel and be consistent with the regular academic program.

These activities shall be in harmony with Board policies and with the policies of a local athletic league. Competitive sports programs shall be supplementary to the curriculum. They shall encourage students to develop and maintain high standards of personal conduct, academic powers, civic responsibility, loyal citizenship, and wholesome school spirit.

Definitions

Extracurricular Activities: a school sponsored activity pursued in addition to the normal course of study.

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Vanguard Academy supports all class and extracurricular activities as a part of the school and its curriculum. School administrators will plan carefully to obtain quality and balance in student activities.

- A. Student Events Sponsored by the School
 - 1. All student events or social activities conducted under the name of Vanguard Academy shall have the approval of the school administration. The administration shall be responsible for seeing that such activities are supervised by qualified personnel. When possible, Vanguard encourages these activities to be supervised by licensed personnel.
 - 2. All student activities shall terminate at a time designated by the school administration.
- B. Programs, Parties, Picnics, Carnivals, etc.
 - 1. The number of activities approved shall be determined by the school administration and abide by local fundraising policy.
 - 2. Middle schools are encouraged to schedule student activities during regular school time.

C. Safety Precautions

No activities shall be scheduled that in any way violate safety precautions.

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- D. Student Involvement in Planning
 - Students, under proper supervision, shall share in the process of designing, developing, and guiding activities.
- E. Selecting Activities
 - Selection of activities shall be determined on the basis of student need, interest, and ability. It is advisable to limit the number of activities in which a given student may participate, in order to maintain the proper balance of the student's in-class and extraclass activity.
- F. Where to Hold Activities
 - Whenever possible, the school campus shall be the meeting place for all activities.
- G. Secret Organizations
 - Secret organizations or societies shall not be permitted among the students of the schools.
- H. Records
 - Where appropriate, schools are encouraged to have for each activity a written plan for each activity.

Coaches and School Activity Leaders as Supervisors

Vanguard Academy coaches and Leaders who are supervising school sponsored activities will supervise in accordance with **Utah Code R277-605.**

- I. Coaches and other designated school leaders shall diligently supervise student athletes at all times while on school-sponsored activities, including supervising students:
 - a. On the field, court or other competition or performance sites
 - b. In locker rooms, in seating areas, in eating establishments and in lodging facilities while traveling.
- J. A coach or other designated school leader shall be an exemplary role model and may not use alcoholic beverages, tobacco, controlled substances or participate in promiscuous activities while on school sponsored activities.
- K. Coaches, assistants, and advisors shall act in a manner that represents both Vanguard Academy and themselves by not:
 - a. Using foul, abusive, or profane language while engaged in school related activities.
 - b. Permitting 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.

Athletic and Activity Clinics

Vanguard Academy school personnel, activity leaders, coaches, advisors, and other personnel may not require students to attend out-of-school camps, clinics, or workshops for which the personnel, activity leaders, coaches, or advisors receive remuneration from a source other than the school or LEA in which they are employed.

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Required or voluntary participation in summer or other off-season clinics, workshops, and leagues may not be used as eligibility criteria for team membership, participation in extracurricular activities, or for the opportunity to try out for school sponsored programs.

References

Utah Code R277-605

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