

<i>Rainy River District School Board</i>	SECTION 4 <i>Students</i>
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	4.63

POLICY

The Rainy River District School Board will support the provision of extra-curricular activities.

RATIONALE

Extra-curricular activities enhance students’ talents, abilities, and special interests. These experiences foster self-esteem, leadership, and social skills.

IMPLEMENTATION

As per the guidelines below and Policy and Procedure 5.10, Field Trips, Policy and Procedure 8.24 Fundraising, and Policy 7.85 Student Safety

GUIDELINES

1.0 General Guidelines

- 1.1 The principal is responsible for annually approving the purposes and goals of an extra-curricular activity in terms of:
 - the appropriateness to the age, and physical and intellectual maturity of the students involved;
 - the skills of staff and/or community members;
 - the needs of students;
 - student safety;
 - human resources, including the availability of other necessary resources.
- 1.2 All extra-curricular activities will be conducted in a manner that maintains or enhances the dignity and self-esteem of the individual student.
- 1.3 The staff supervisor is responsible for ensuring the safety of all participants. Students and their parents/guardians will be made aware of all procedures and guidelines as outlined in related Board policies and procedures.
- 1.4 Sports and athletic activities will be governed by the relevant District, regional, and provincial athletic organizations.
- 1.5 The approval, planning, and safety requirements for extra-curricular overnight and extended trips will be as per the Policy and Procedure 5.10, Field Trips.
- 1.6 As extra-curricular activities are optional, students may be responsible for costs associated

with participation.

2.0 Eligibility

2.1 Participation in an extra-curricular activity will be non-discriminatory.

2.2 Student participation in extra-curricular activities is subject to

- Adherence to the School and Board Code of Conduct
- Academic progress
- Regular school attendance

2.3 All students participating in extra-curricular activities shall abide by the School and Board Code of Conduct.

2.4 It is expected that participants will attend practices, meetings, or rehearsals, follow the directions of the staff supervisor and other volunteers, and display a positive and respectful attitude. Students may become ineligible if they do not meet their obligations to their team, club or group.

Definition:

Extra-curricular Activity is an activity performed by students that falls outside the realm of the normal curriculum of school and enhances a student's school experience. This activity may be participative or competitive (i.e., sports, clubs, theatre productions).

<u>CROSS REFERENCE</u>	<u>Date Approved</u> October 2, 2018	<u>LEGAL/MINISTRY OF EDUCATION REFERENCE</u>
Policy 2.67, Equity and Inclusive Education		
Policy 4.11, Supporting Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions	<u>Board Motion</u> 506	OPHEA Guidelines
Policy 4.16, Safe Schools	<u>Review Prior to</u> 2023	OBSIE Risk Management Guidelines
Procedure 4.30 Student Discipline		
Policy 4.48, Student Fees		
Policy 5.10 and Procedure Field Trips		
Policy 7.85, Student Safety		
Policy 8.24, Fundraising		