

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BAYFIELD

SCHOOL CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS

All school sponsored clubs and organizations shall meet the guidelines and shall be approved by the Board. Membership in school clubs or organizations shall be open to every student meeting the approved scholastic, citizenship, and organization requirements. Organizational requirements shall be reasonable, democratic, and nondiscriminatory. No student shall be refused admission to a school club or organization by reason of a student open or closed ballot, quota system, or other means of exclusiveness.

Students organizations have an important place in the educational program of schools because, when properly organized and operated, they:

1. Extend and reinforce the instructional program.
2. Give students practice in democratic self-government.
3. Build student morale and spirit of positive support for the school.
4. Honor outstanding student achievement.
5. Provide wholesome social and recreational activities.

SCHOOL SPONSORED CLUBS AND/OR ORGANIZATIONS

1. School clubs and/or organizations should meet an educational need of students. They must be an extension of a curricular offering or provide positive educational experiences.
2. When the principal believes that a sufficient number of students (minimum of 10-15) are interested in establishing a club or organization, a plan should be drafted by the originator of the organization which includes goals and objectives of the club or organization. This plan shall be presented to the principal for approval.
3. Once a club or organization is approved, it is a recognized part of the District activity program under school-sponsored supervision. A sponsor or advisor will be appointed by the principal for each school club or organization. Payment for club or organization advisors shall be in accordance with provisions of the current employee agreement. Clubs or organizations shall meet only at those times when the advisor or a substitute approved by the principal is present.
4. Each school club or organization may elect officers and establish a constitution. The constitution shall not be considered official until approved by the principal and, when applicable, the club's or organization's state association.
5. Club or organization meetings, including field trips, are subject to rules and regulations as adopted by the Board and enforced by the principal. Anytime a club or organization fails to uphold the stated club or organization goals and objectives, or is in violation of District rules or policies, the club or organization may be disbanded by the principal and/or the Superintendent.
6. Transportation for the field trips of any club or organization shall be conducted under the sponsorship of the District.

7. Participating by a school club or organization in any state or national contest shall be subject to regulation of the Department of Public Instruction and/or the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary School and the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletics Association (WIAA) and shall be authorized by the principal and/or the Superintendent.
8. Members or advisors of school clubs or organization shall not encourage or rely upon commercially sponsored sources for award or recognition activities. Approved recognition activities for students should rather be sponsored from appropriate funding provided through District sources. This guideline is in keeping with regulations of the WIA.A and North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Every sponsored club shall have a constitution approved by the Student Council and by the specific building principal. Such constitution shall be kept on file in principal's office.

- a. The constitution shall contain a statement that members must be students in school.
- b. The constitution shall contain membership qualifications. Such qualifications shall not deny membership because of race, sex, national origin, religion, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.
- c. The constitution shall contain a statement of the club's purposes. The purpose shall not be contrary to the welfare or best interest of the students, the school, or in conflict with the authority or responsibilities of the School Board and its employees.
- d. The constitution shall contain a statement that there is no affiliation with any non-school club.
- e. The constitution shall provide that the collection or dispersal of school sponsored club funds shall be in accordance with the regulations set forth by the policies of the student activity.
- f. The constitution shall provide that speakers, who are neither a member of the student body, faculty, or administration, must have prior approval from the advisor and principal.
- g. Every club shall act only in accordance with its constitution and shall abide by school, district rules and regulations.
- h. Organizations that present school awards must have a detailed written policy in their constitution on how such awards are earned.

ACADEMIC INELIGIBILITY (HIGH SCHOOL)

- a. A student is ineligible to compete interscholastically, representing Bayfield High School, in activities if he/she is failing in any class. In-school activities are exempt.
- b. Students performing in plays and musicals must be academically eligible at the time of tryouts. Those who are may try out, be cast and remain eligible until the conclusion of the final performance.

- c. Students in performance groups, i.e. choraliers, chamber singers and pep band, may not perform outside the District schools if they are academically ineligible.
- d. A student is ineligible for participation for a minimum of 7 school days from the date of publication of the ineligibility, but no later than the end of the next quarterly marking period at the time those graders are officially published.

SECRET ORGANIZATION

Secret societies, fraternities, sororities, or other organizations shall not be recognized in the School District of Bayfield, nor shall students in the District be permitted to belong to such organizations. Any organization that is in anyway secret shall not be included on the list of recognized organizations, nor shall students be permitted to participate in any secret organization. Participation, in this case, shall include membership, pledging and attendance at meetings or social activities of secret fraternities or sororities, or substitute thereof. This applies whether the membership is made up wholly or largely of present or former members.

The wearing of any ring, pin or insignia of a secret organization of having any connection with any organization which comes within the school or spirit of this policy is prohibited.

NON-CURRICULUM RELATED STUDENT GROUPS

The building principal may permit non-curriculum related student groups to conduct meetings on school premises under the following conditions:

1. The meeting will take place during the limited open forum period(s). The open forum is during lunch hour or such other non-instructional time determined by the building principal.
2. The meeting is voluntary and student initiated. The principal must be assured that students are the ones promoting such activities and that they are participating of their own volition. Only, students enrolled in the school may request the meetings.
3. School authorities or District employees do not promote, lead or participate in such meetings. Principals may assign personnel to supervise these meetings or may require adult supervision. This action does not constitute sponsorship by the District of such meetings.
4. The presence of school authorities or District employees at any student religious meeting is non-participatory in nature. The presence of school authorities of for the purpose of observation only.
5. The meeting does not in any way interfere with the conduct of regular instructional activities of the District. Since the education of the students is the prime responsibility of the school, any other activities are secondary. The school may deny facilities to students on the basis that such activities or meetings interfere with the instructional program.
6. Student meetings are not controlled, conducted or directed by persons or groups not affiliated with the District. Such persons may attend student meetings but not on a regular basis. Visitors to the school must be approved by the principal and clearance obtained prior to the meeting.

PI 9.03(1) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF: Athletic Code
Student Activity Code

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BAYFIELD
RECOGNIZED BAYFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The following student organizations have been approved by the high school principal:

Freshman Class	Sixth Grade
Sophomore Class	Seventh Grade
Junior Class	Eighth Grade
Senior Class	Band Trips
National Honor Society	French/Spanish Club
Art Club	High School Boosters
Forensics	Family & Consumer Ed
Quiz Bowl	Middle School Student Council
High School Yearbook	Science Club
Kayaking Club	Swing/Drama Club
Student Council	Tech Ed
Marine Ecology Club	Volleyball Club

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The following student organizations have not been approved by the principal and should be approved and added to the Board Policy Manual:

Fourth Grade (Now known as K-5 Elementary)
 K-8 Project
 Seventh-Eighth Grade
 Book Fair
 LaPointe
 Newspaper
 Rec. Center

The following approved student organizations currently do not have funds:

Quiz Bowl Team
 High School Yearbook
 Forensics