

## **STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Student organizations generally will be encouraged when they meet the simple criterion of being related to the curriculum. Such organizations will operate within the framework of the law, Board policy, administrative rules and the parameters of the learning program. When such organizations are truly contributive, their establishment and operation will be facilitated in reasonable ways by school system staff and resources.

The administration will develop general guidelines for such student organizations. Among other provisions, such guidelines will require the assignment of at least one administratively approved faculty advisor to each student organization and the approval by the Board of any student organization that requires the expenditure of budgeted funds or that may engage in activities likely to be of a divisive or controversial nature.

Once an organization has been recognized as a “club”, a group may not propose elevation to team status until two complete “seasons” have elapsed.

This policy applies to on-campus organizations only. It is not intended to restrict the organization of students into groups that function apart from and unrelated to the school program.

Legal Reference: 20-A MRS § 4007

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