

# Dickson County Board of Education

Monitoring: <b>Review: Annually, in August</b>	Descriptor Term: <b>Extracurricular Activities</b>	Descriptor Code: <b>6.701</b>	Issued Date: <b>09/28/23</b>
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- 1 The Following guidelines shall be followed in administering the student activities program:
- 2 1. The principal shall approve each specific extracurricular activity so that proper support and  
3 supervision may be assured.
  - 4 2. The principal, after obtaining the recommendation of the faculty and the Director of Schools shall  
5 determine which clubs and organizations shall be permitted.
  - 6 3. Each student activity should be under the guidance and direction of a staff member.
  - 7 4. All student activities must have the approval of the principal.
  - 8 5. Student activities occurring before or after regularly scheduled school hours must be under the  
9 supervision of the principal/designee.
  - 10 6. Overnight trips or any out of state trip must be approved by the principal, the Director of Schools  
11 and the Dickson County Board of Education in advance. These groups must be accompanied by  
12 at least one (1) regular staff member and others appropriate for adequate supervision from the  
13 school who shall be responsible for student conduct while away. There must be at least one (1)  
14 female and one (1) male chaperone if the trip is for a mixed group.
  - 15 7. Secret organizations shall not be operated in any school.
  - 16 8. A student shall not be required to attend a school-sponsored student activity that is scheduled at  
17 a time which conflicts with his religious practices.<sup>1</sup>
  - 18 9. School-sponsored student activities during vacation periods shall be restricted to regularly  
19 scheduled athletic programs and major events which cannot be scheduled otherwise.
  - 20 10. Student groups shall not participate in state or national activities which are not listed as approved  
21 activities by regional accrediting associations or state and national principals' associations  
22 without the approval of the Director of Schools.
  - 23 11. A student on out-of-school suspension shall not be permitted to participate in school-sponsored  
24 activities.
  - 25 12. Homeschool students are not permitted to participate in extracurricular activities, other than those  
26 sanctioned by the Tennessee Secondary Schools Athletic Association
  - 27 13. Activities which restrict participation because of race, color, religion, sex, disabilities, or national  
28 origin are forbidden.<sup>2</sup>
  - 29 14. Activities sponsored by outside groups or agents will be approved only if they are co-sponsored  
30 by the school.
  - 31 15. The principal shall approve all schedules for extra-curricular activities, including practice, and  
32 shall assure that such schedules do not create an undue conflict with necessary study and/or rest

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<sup>1</sup> TCA 49-6-1002(c)

<sup>2</sup> 34 CFR § 106.41

1 time. Principals shall monitor the amount of time a student is required to spend in any activity  
2 during a school week and shall assure that no single activity is allowed to overburden students.

### 3 **STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

4 All students under the age of eighteen (18) shall present a signed and dated statement from their  
5 parent/guardian before joining any club or organization or participating in activities of a club or  
6 organization. The Director of Schools shall develop administrative procedures outlining this recordkeeping  
7 process.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Public Acts of 2023, Chapter No. 353