

<h1>SEVEN GENERATIONS CHARTER SCHOOL</h1>	SECTION: PROGRAMS
	TITLE: 122 – CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
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Policy	<p>The Board believes that the Mission and Vision of Seven Generations can be enhanced by a diversity of learning experiences including those conducted outside the regular curricular program of the school.</p> <p>The Board shall make school facilities, supplies and equipment available and approve personnel for the support of a program of co-curricular activities for students. Such availability and assignment shall be in accordance with the Equal Access Act (see appendix). A co-curricular activity shall be considered under the sponsorship of the Board when it has been approved by the school’s Administrator(s). The Administrator(s) may be assisted at times by a Co-Curricular Committee of teachers, staff and parent volunteers. This committee may assist in the formation, maintenance and funding of co-curricular activities. Additional funding beyond that provided in the school’s normal operating budget may be coordinated within the school’s Parent/Teacher (Community Circle) fundraising efforts, and/or when required, additional fees may be assessed for participants.</p>
Definition	<p>For purposes of this policy, co-curricular activities shall be those activities which are sponsored or approved by the Board but are not a required component of the curriculum. Such activities shall ordinarily:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Be marked by student participation in the processes of initiation, planning, organizing, and execution. 2. Be available to all age appropriate students who voluntarily elect to participate except that where eligibility requirements are necessary or desirable, the Board shall be so informed and must approve the eligibility standards. 3. Include intramural sports, musical organizations, clubs, and the like.
Delegation of Responsibility	<p>The Administrator(s) shall prepare procedures to implement a co-curricular program which shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advance the Mission and Vision of Seven Generations 2. Regularly survey the students of Seven Generations to assess their needs and interests. 3. Encourage a diversity of offerings, including, but not limited to, arts, academics, community relations and sports/athletics 4. Involve students in the planning of co-curricular activities. 5. Be responsive to the articulated needs of students. 6. Ensure adequate adult guidance and supervision.

Appendix	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Guard against the exploitation of students, including proper clearance by all non-employee volunteers obtained per the school Volunteer Clearance Policy. 8. Provide for the continuing evaluation of the co-curricular program. 9. Ensure that all co-curricular activities are open to all age-appropriate students and that students are informed of the opportunities available to them. 10. Ensure all programs are covered under the school’s insurance policy and building usage is in compliance with the school Building Usage Policy 11. Ensure funds are approved prior to inception 12. Ensure that the school Code of Conduct is effect for all co-curricular activities. <p>All co-curricular activities provided by outside companies, groups, or individuals (i.e. not provided by staff) will provide scholarships for a minimum of 10% of the total number of students involved. If the provider has the opinion she/he cannot provide for this, the Administrator(s) will have the discretion to decide what is appropriate.</p> <p><u>Equal Access Act</u></p> <p>The Board shall provide students the opportunity for one or more non-curriculum related student groups to meet on the school premises during non-instructional time for the purpose of conducting a meeting within the "limited open forum provision" on the basis of the religious, political, philosophical, or other content of the speech at such meetings. Such meetings must be voluntary, student initiated, and not sponsored in any way by the school, its agents or employees. Non-school persons may not direct, conduct, control or regularly attend activities of student groups. Non-instructional time is the time set aside by the school before actual classroom instruction begins or after actual classroom instruction ends but within the contracted teacher day.</p> <p>The meetings cannot materially or substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of the educational activities in the school.</p> <p>The Administrator(s) or his/her designee shall establish the length of sessions, number per week, and other limitations as felt reasonably necessary.</p> <p>The Board retains the authority to maintain order and discipline on school premises to protect the well-being of students and employees.</p>
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