JJA Student Organizations

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for the conduct of student organizations.

The activities and financial affairs of student body organizations in the school district will be conducted in accordance with state law and the policies, rules and regulations of the school district.

The board superintendent is authorized to regulate, control or prohibit clubs or other such activities on school property or during school hours. The board superintendent delegates to the principal of each school jurisdiction over all athletic, student organizations and activity funds.

Qualifications for Membership in Student Organizations

The public school is a democratic institution, which requires that membership in clubs, and other organizations of the school be based on objective criteria. These criteria must permit all students to compete for membership without prejudice as to race, creed or subjective judgement of their peers race, color, religion, national origin, disability, pregnancy (including childbirth and other related medical conditions), age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity status, spousal affiliation, or any other protected characteristic as may be required by law.

Any combination of the following may be used as the basis for selecting students for membership.

- scholarship
- citizenship
- grade level
- subject level
- special proficiency evaluated by certificated personnel on the basis of predetermined standards

Under no circumstances is the membership in a school club to be determined by the subjective judgment of students constituting members of the club.

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Legal references:
S.C. Code, 1976, as amended:
Section 59-63-270 - Regulation or prohibition of clubs or like activities.