

LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION
Lyndhurst, N.J. 07071
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INTRAMURAL COMPETITION; INTERSCHOLASTIC COMPETITION

The board considers all competitive extracurricular activities—academic, artistic and athletic – an integral part of the total education program. Competitive activities shall be under the same administration and control as the rest of the school program and closely articulated with it.

Competitive activities can provide pupils with valuable experiences and opportunities. In this district, the emphasis in any competition—intramural or interscholastic—shall be on providing such experiences and opportunities rather than on producing winning teams or providing entertainment. Practice for or performance in any competitive event shall not interfere with the regular educational program.

The board shall approve all proposed interscholastic competition, either as a schedule or as a discrete event, whichever is appropriate. The board must approve membership in any leagues, associations and conferences, and any agreements with other schools for a series of games or events. Contests of any kinds between and among the schools of the district shall be approved by the chief school administrator.

The board shall appoint coaches, advisors, physicians and other necessary supervisory personnel upon recommendation of the chief school administrator. The chief school administrator shall also ensure that training programs/regulations are developed for all extracurricular athletic activities and that all physical facilities involved in any competition in which district schools take part shall be adequate, safe and sanitary.

Public recognition shall be given to participants in academic or artistic competitions in the same measure as to athletic competitors. The district's affirmative action resolution and plan for school and classroom practices shall apply to determining eligibility for competition, approval of each competitive activity in which pupils officially represent the district, the district expenditure to provide facilities and coaches.



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Parental Consent

No pupil may participate in a school-sponsored physical activity outside the regular physical education curriculum without a signed consent form from a parent/guardian naming the activity and acknowledging that the activity may be hazardous.

Academic Eligibility

Academic standards shall be those set in Policy 5113 Absences and Excuses. In particular, a pupil shall not participate in a performance, exhibition, practice or athletic event unless he/she has been present in school that day or has been absent for an excused reason other than for sickness.

Disciplinary Standards

Disciplinary standards are based on board Policies 5114 Suspension/Expulsion and 5131 Discipline/Punishment. Pupils on disciplinary probation or serving a detention or suspension may not practice perform or compete. The chief school administrator and the building principal shall decide at the end of a probation or suspension whether the pupil may return to practice and competition.

Educationally Disabled Pupils

To participate in interscholastic competition, educationally disabled pupils placed in district or out of district public school programs must meet the same requirements listed above in conformity with IEP's.

Educationally disabled pupils who reside in the district and who are placed in a non-public school at their parent or guardian's own expense may participate in the district's interscholastic athletic program if they meet the district's eligibility requirements and the board, by resolution, authorizes their participation.

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Physical Eligibility

All pupils in grades nine through twelve participating in intramural or interscholastic athletics must be given a medical examination within 365 days prior to the first practice session.

The medical examinations must be conducted in the "medical home" of the student. The school district must provide this examination if the student does not have a medical home. The school district will assume the cost of the exam for all students qualifying for free or reduced lunch. The "medical home" is defined as a health care provider and that provider's practice site chosen by the student's parent/guardian for the provision of health care. Since the school physician is a "health care provider", the parent/guardian may choose either the school physician or their own private physician to provide the medical examination.

If the medical examination was completed more than 60 days prior to the first practice session, the parents must complete and sign a health history update of medical problems experienced since the last medical examination.

For each student medical examination conducted, a full medical report must be sent to the school. This report must include a determination concerning the student's participation on an athletic squad or team from the examining physician, nurse practitioner/clinical nurse or physician assistant. The district school physician's signature indicates that the medical report complies with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(h)5.

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Legal References: N.J.S.A. 5:17-1 et seq.

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3

N.J.S.A. 18A:26-2.1 et al.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-20

N.J.S.A. 18A:40A-1 et seq.

See particularly:

Athletic code of conduct permitted; "youth sports event" defined...

Voluntary associations regulating conduct of student activities; membership; rules and regulations; appeals
Supervisory certificate required for appointment as director of athletics

Discrimination; prohibition

Substance abuse

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Legal References (continued)

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:40A-9, -10, -11	
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:42-2	School orchestra not to compete with civilian musicians; exceptions
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:43-1	Accident insurance for pupils authorized
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:7-1.4	Responsibilities of the district board of education
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:7-1.7	Equality in school and classroom practices
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:9-5.19	Athletics personnel
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:16-1.4(a)6	District policies and procedures
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:16-2.1 <u>et seq.</u>	General Provisions for School Health Services
<u>See particularly:</u>	
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:16-2.2	
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:30-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-9.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Athletic Procedures
<u>See particularly:</u>	
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-9.1(c), -9.1(d), -9.1(f)	
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-14.1	Review of mandated programs and services

20 U.S.C.A. 1681 et seq. - Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

29 U.S.C.A. 794 et seq. - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Krupp v. Bd. of Ed. of Union County Reg. H.S. Dist. #1, 278 N.J. Super. 31 (App. Div. 1994) cert. den. 140 N.J. 277 (1994)

NJSIAA Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations

Manual for the Evaluation of Local School Districts

The Comprehensive Equity Plan, New Jersey State Department of Education

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Possible

<u>Cross References:</u>	*1322	Contests for pupils
	1500	Relations between area, county, state, regional and national associations and the district
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	*3453	School activity funds
	3530	Insurance management
	*3541.31	Privately owned vehicles
	4143	Extra pay for extra work
	*5125	Pupil records
	*5126	Awards for achievement
	*5131	Conduct/discipline
	*5141.1	Accidents
	*5141.3	Health examinations and immunizations
	5143	Insurance
	*5145.4	Equal educational opportunity
	*6121	Nondiscrimination/affirmative action
	*6142.4	Physical education and health
	*6145	Extracurricular activities
	6145.4	Public performances and exhibitions
	*6146	Graduation requirements
	*6147.1	Evaluation of individual student performance

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.