

Contests

The Board of Education believes that the primary educational aims of the schools and the needs and interests of the students must be the most important considerations at all times.

It shall, therefore, be the policy of this district to deny district sanction of student participation in contests if such participation infringes on instructional time. Neither the district as a whole nor any individual building shall provide promotional aid, school time, or faculty assistance during the school day to student contests (e.g., essay writing, poster making) sponsored by organizations outside the school.

The Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction must approve a contest before it may be made available to the schools, and each building principal shall have the option of his/her school participating or not participating in an approved contest. Such participation shall be limited to the announcing of and/or the distribution of information regarding contests to students provided that the contest does not infringe on instructional time and that the contest is consistent with the guidelines and restrictions for contests that are listed in the regulations for this policy. However, students may not be required to participate in contests.

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