

<b>Category:</b> <b>8000 STUDENTS</b>	<b>Policy Number:</b> <b>8200</b>
<b>Policy Title: Extracurricular Activities, Clubs and Organizations</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b> <b>October 20, 2021</b>

It shall be the policy of Snake River School District 52 to establish and operate extracurricular activities and organizations which shall benefit the students both educationally and socially. All extracurricular activities shall be under the direction of an assigned sponsor who shall be a member of the District faculty or staff.

Any students in good standing may have the opportunity to participate in any of the school's activities. Every effort will be made to avoid membership qualifications that would discriminate or prevent this; however, students must meet IHSAA and district academic eligibility requirements.

Extracurricular or co-curricular activities are supplements to the regular instructional programs and afford students opportunities for enrichment. However, participation in extracurricular and co-curricular activities is a privilege, not a right. (I.C. §33-512(12)). As representatives of their school and District, students participating in such activities are expected to meet high standards of behavior.

**School Clubs and Organizations:**

School clubs and organizations may be organized but shall include in their aims and objectives services beneficial to the following:

1. Members
2. School
3. Community
4. State
5. Nation

Those school clubs and school organizations failing to adhere to or promote the aims and objectives set forth in their application or which bring ridicule to themselves or the school shall be discontinued.

**Non-School Clubs and Organizations:**

The IHSAA sport season runs from August 1 through the final day of the IHSAA spring state tournaments of the next calendar year. All Snake River School District head coaches, assistant coaches, volunteer coaches, junior high coaches and patrons will encourage all students to play in a fall, winter and spring sport.

All coaches will respect each other's programs and not recruit or hold any out of season open gyms, camps or practices for all students in grades 9–12 during the IHSAA sport season. Coaches will encourage students to focus on the sports in season.

All Snake River School District coaches will not organize a non-school club team or recruit any student in grades 9-12 to play on a non-school club team during the IHSAA sport season.

All non-school clubs or athletic groups involving students in grades 9-12 will not be allowed to use Snake River School District facilities or equipment during the IHSAA seasons.

All student athletes who want to play more than one sport during the same fall, winter or spring sport season, must get permission from both coaches. Coaches will set clear expectations for practice and games if they approve.

Any coaches not following this policy will be given a two-game suspension for the first offense and removed from coaching for the second offense.