Extracurricular Activities

I. Policy Statement

The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) is committed to providing a wide variety of extracurricular opportunities for students while maintaining student safety. The Board believes that access to, and participation in, extracurricular activities engage student interest and ability and serve as an essential part of a student’s overall educational experience. The extracurricular activities offered should be comprehensive, well-balanced and provide many and varied opportunities for all students.

II. Definition

*Extracurricular Activities* – Activities available to students beyond the regular instructional day, which are voluntary and not required for the satisfactory completion of a particular class.

III. Standards

A. Students should be encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities available at school, including student organizations and other school-sponsored activities.

B. Principals will ensure that parents and students are notified of the various extracurricular activities available at the school.

C. Extracurricular activities shall be sponsored, approved, conducted, planned and/or supervised by school staff regardless of whether they take place on or off school property or occur during regular instructional hours.

IV. Implementation

The Board directs the Superintendent to implement this policy.
POLICY 6702

Legal References: 42 U.S.C. § 11432(g)(1)(I)–(g)(1)(J), *McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act*
COMAR 13A.06.03, *Sports Season*
COMAR 13A.06.04, *Operational Guidelines*

Related Policies: Board of Education Policy 3151, *Student Accident Insurance Program*
Board of Education Policy 3160, *Review and Approval of School-Sponsored Activities*
Board of Education Policy 5140, *Assignment and/or Special Permission Transfer*
Board of Education Policy 5150, *Resident and Non-Resident Student Eligibility*
Board of Education Policy 5500, *Code of Student Conduct*
Board of Education Policy 5550, *Student Behavior Code*
Board of Education Policy 5600, *Students’ Responsibilities and Rights*

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