

# Series 1000 – School/Community Relations

Policy Title: Contests for Students

Policy Code No. 1005.2

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The following policy of the Board of Directors shall govern student participation in local, state, and national contests.

1. Participation

Participation shall be limited to those contests and activities that are educationally sound, worthy, and timely. They should be stimulating for the student and school, desirable activities for both, and be a worthwhile supplement to (not interfere with) the academic program.

All contests should be conducted within the constitution and guidelines of state high school athletic and activities associations. Participation should be voluntary, and contestants shall not be excluded on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, disability or payment of an entry fee.

2. Approval

The administration shall review and approve or reject all applicants for participation in contests in the area, state, region, or nation, or in international contests. Applications shall contain information about the nature of the contest, the purpose, the number of students involved, the time required, the means of financing the event, and other pertinent information. Board approval will be required for trips outside of Iowa. The superintendent will provide assertion that all requirements have been met, and provide a list of the students upon Board request.

3. Transportation

Appropriate school funds may be used to cover the costs of transportation in cases where students represent the school in competition; for other events, however, the students shall pay their own transportation costs.

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