

*Policy*

**CONTESTS**

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The District will cooperate with individuals, community organizations, and agencies desiring to sponsor activities in the public schools in keeping with the purposes and educational aims of the District, provided such activities can be integrated into the school program without disruption or loss of instructional time and without imposing an unreasonable added work load on the staff of the school.

In addition to the conditions stated above, schools may sponsor or promote contests involving agencies outside the school as a part of the school program only when all of the following criteria are met:

- The contest has definite educational value.
- The contest emphasizes educational value rather than prizes.
- The contest is integrated into the regular instructional program.
- Participation is voluntary on the part of students.

Each principal/director will determine which contests are authorized in his/her school, subject to approval of the superintendent or his/her designee.

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