

**School Activities** 

Student Policy 5601 Approved: 2/23/2016 Revised: \_\_\_\_\_

## I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the protocol for Athlos Academy's student activity program, including cocurricular activities and extracurricular activities.

## II. DEFINITIONS

- A. Cocurricular Activities: School sponsored and directed activities designed to provide opportunities for pupils to participate, on an individual or group basis, in school and public events for the improvement of skills. They are offered for credit, conducted during regular school hours, and funded by public moneys for general instructional purposes under direction of the Athlos Academy Governing Board.
- B. Extracurricular Activities: School-related activities for pupil enjoyment, not offered for credit, and generally conducted outside of regular school hours, and may be self-sustaining with required fees.

## III. POLICY

- A. School activities are of secondary importance to education; however they complement Athlos Academy's Prepared Mind program in providing students with additional opportunities for development of Performance Character and Healthy Body in a non-educational setting.
- B. The Lead School Administrator shall disseminate information needed to inform students, parent/guardians, school personnel and the community of the opportunities available within Athlos Academy's activity program and the rules of participation.
- C. The Governing Board must take charge of and control all cocurricular activities of Athlos Academy.
  - 1. The Governing Board must adopt rules and regulations for appropriate conduct.
  - 2. All money received from such activities must be turned over to the appointed school administrator, who shall store the funds in accordance with law, to be disbursed for expenses and salaries connected with the activities, or otherwise, by the Governing Board upon properly allowed itemized claims.
- D. Extracurricular activities not under Governing Board control must have an annual financial audit and must also be audited annually for compliance with Minn. Stat. § 123B.49.
- E. Extracurriculars at a Boundary School:

- 1. Whenever it appears to be beneficial and for the best interest of the school and the students to carry on any school sport activities or educational activities connected with their studies outside of the geographical limits of the school boundary, the Governing Board **may** authorize such activities to be conducted under such rules and regulations as the Governing Board deems sufficient.
- 2. Athlos Academy **may** pay all necessary costs therefor including transportation.
- F. Students who participate in Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) activities must also abide by the league rules.
  - 1. It shall be the responsibility of those employees who conduct MSHSL activities to familiarize students and parents with all applicable rules, penalties, and opportunities.

Legal References: <u>Minn. Stat. § 123B.49</u> (Extracurricular Activities; Insurance) <u>Minn. Rules Part 3500.1050</u> (Definitions for Pupil Fees)