# **Emery County School District**

Policy: JJA—Student Clubs and Organizations

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It is the policy of the Emery County School District that student clubs be restricted to curriculum-related School Clubs. School Clubs are authorized in grades 6-12.

School Clubs are defined as clubs which are curriculum-related and:

- whose subject matter is taught or will soon be taught in a regular course and does not have as its purpose, or
  part of its purpose, the advocacy of any political, theological, ideological or partisan view on curriculum-related
  subject matter;
- whose subject matter concerns the body of courses as a whole and does not have as its purpose, or part of its purpose, the advocacy of any political, theological, ideological or partisan view on curriculum-related subject matter;
- in which participation in the club is required for a particular course; or
- in which academic credit is given for participation in the club.

School Clubs may receive leadership, direction, and support from the school and District.

## Application for School Clubs

- A written request for the establishment of a School Club must be submitted to and approved by the school principal and must include:
- The recommended club name;
- A statement of purpose, goals and activities;
- Documentation of curriculum relatedness (e.g. related course descriptions and disclosure statements);
- Recommended meeting times, dates, places and the estimated number of student members;
- The proposed club by-laws, which shall include at least the rules of organization, election of officers and membership criteria.

# **School Club Advisors**

The school principal will annually designate a faculty advisor for each School Club. Faculty advisors organize and direct the purpose and activities of the School Clubs.

#### **Facilities**

The school principal will determine and assign facilities for School Clubs consistent with the needs of the school.

# Membership

- Membership in School Clubs is limited to students who are registered in the District.
- School Clubs may require that prospective members try out based on objective criteria outlined in the club bylaws.
- Membership may not be limited on the basis of race, gender, ethnicity, national origin, religion, or disability.
- A parent/guardian signature is required for membership and participation in School Clubs.
- Non-school persons shall not direct, conduct, control or regularly attend meetings or activities of School Clubs.
   Non-school persons may attend on occasion to make presentation if approved in advance by the school principal and the club advisor.

## **School Club Termination**

The school principal may terminate a club's authorization if the club activities extend beyond the scope of its purpose or violates the law and/or school or district policy.