

## **SCHOOL-SPONSORED SOCIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS**

The Board recognizes the value of school-sponsored social activities/events in enhancing the educational experience of Cape Elizabeth students.

“Social activities/events” include dances, proms and other social functions that are held outside of regular school hours. Class outings and other school-sponsored excursions are outside the scope of this policy and are addressed in the Board’s policy IHOA-Field Trips. Participation in school-sponsored activities is a privilege not a right.

Classes (e.g., senior class) and student clubs and organizations may plan social events under the guidance of club or organization advisors or school administrators.

All student social activities/events must be approved in advance by the building principal. Activities/events shall be held in school facilities unless the off-campus venue is approved by the building principal and the Superintendent.

Approval of social activities/events will be contingent upon:

1. Designation of a staff member who shall be responsible for the activity/event and present in a supervisory capacity;
2. Provisions for adequate chaperonage/adult supervision and, if warranted by the circumstances of the activity/event, security or policy protection;
3. Provisions for the safety of students and adults involved;
4. When activities/events are held in school facilities, provisions for cleaning up afterward.

Students and their guests must comply with all Board policies and school rules pertaining to student conduct. Violations, which take place at school-sponsored events, will result in the same disciplinary consequences as would apply to on-campus infractions.

Students may leave the building at any time after arrival but may not return.

Students may engage in fundraising as allowed by Board policy to support social activities/events and reasonable admission fees may be charged to defray the cost.

The Superintendent/designee(s) may develop rules pertaining to the planning and execution of student social activities/events, including those related to supervision, student conduct and safety.

Cross reference: KF-Community Use of Facilities

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