

Williamson County Board of Education

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STUDENT CLUBS, ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

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1 School Sponsored Clubs/Activities:

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3 The principals shall encourage students to broaden their knowledge and citizenship by establishing
4 school-sponsored clubs or other groups organized to promote or pursue specialized activities
5 outside the classroom. Membership must be open to all interested and/or eligible students, and a
6 WCS employee, approved by the principal, must attend all meetings/activities as an official sponsor
7 and advisor. In addition to the items listed below, all other district policies and procedures relating
8 to school operations remain in effect for activities relating to School Sponsored Clubs.
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- 12 1. Schools may provide a pay supplement to the School-Sponsored Club advisor.
 - 13 2. All fundraising requests must adhere to WCS Board policies governing fundraisers.
 - 14 3. Schools may charge WCS BOE authorized fees.
 - 15 4. Schools may authorize student field trips for participation in related activities.
 - 16 5. Schools may authorize administrative leave for field trips relating to the School Sponsored
17 Club.
 - 18 6. Schools may provide meeting space in accordance with board policy.
 - 19 7. School Sponsored Clubs may be included in school and district communications.
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21 School Sponsored Clubs/Activities Affiliated with Non-Profit Organizations:

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23 Principals may allow school sponsored clubs to affiliate with non-profits which have been approved
24 by the district office. All non-profit organizations desiring to affiliate with WCS must complete an
25 application provided by the district office and be approved by the superintendent or designee. A
26 WCS employee, approved by the principal, must attend all meetings/activities as an official sponsor
27 and advisor. In addition to the items listed below, all other district policies and procedures relating
28 to school operations remain in effect for activities relating to school sponsored clubs.
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- 32 1. Schools may provide a pay supplement to the School-Sponsored Club advisor.
 - 33 2. All fundraising requests must adhere to WCS Board policies governing fundraisers.
 - 34 3. Schools may charge WCS BOE authorized fees if approved by the Board.
 - 35 4. Schools may authorize student field trips for participation in related activities.
 - 36 5. Schools may authorize administrative leave for field trips relating to the School Sponsored
37 Club.
 - 38 6. Schools may provide meeting space in accordance with board policy.
 - 39 7. School Clubs Affiliated with Non-Profits may be included in school and district
40 communications.
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42 Contracted Services with External Organizations:

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- 45 1. Williamson County School officials may contract with non-profit organizations as permitted
46 in WCS Board Policy 3.206.
 - 47 2. Williamson County School officials may contract with for-profit organizations as permitted in
48 WCS Board Policy 3.206.
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1 For-Profit Organizations are not permitted to use district resources or facilities except as permitted
2 above.

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4 **Non-School Sponsored, Student-Led Clubs/Activities:**

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6 A student who wishes to organize a non-school sponsored, student-led club must obtain prior
7 written consent from the school principal and recruit a WCS employee (voluntary without additional
8 compensation) to serve as a monitor of the group's activity which occurs on a WCS campus. WCS'
9 supervision of these activities is limited to this monitor's presence during activities occurring on a
10 WCS campus. The student organizer is responsible for annually obtaining the written consent of
11 the parent(s)/guardian(s) of all students who wish to participate in the student-led organization.
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- 14 1. Schools cannot provide a pay supplement to the school employee who is acting as a
15 monitor of the club.
- 16 2. The school employee monitor shall not lead, coordinate or be a participant in any activity of
17 this student-led club.
- 18 3. All fundraising requests must adhere to WCS Board policies governing fundraisers.
- 19 4. Schools may not charge any fees for these activities.
- 20 5. Schools may authorize student field trips for participation in related activities.
- 21 6. Schools may provide meeting space in accordance with board policy.
- 22 7. School Clubs Affiliated with Non-Profits may be included in school and district
23 communications.
- 24 8. Students participating in these activities are subject to all school attendance rules and
25 procedures applicable to any other students.
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29 Clubs which do not qualify as school sponsored clubs are considered to be non-school clubs and
30 normally beyond the jurisdiction of school authorities. Any club or organization not directly under
31 control of school authorities shall be deemed to be a non-school club. The formation of such clubs
32 shall be initiated by students. Non-school clubs may not conduct their activities on campus during
33 the instructional day.
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35 **Patriotic Societies:**

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37 Principals shall allow representatives of a patriotic society the opportunity to speak with students
38 during school hours. The principal shall approve one (1) day at the beginning of each academic
39 school year for the patriotic society to speak to the students at the school. The principal shall allow
40 the society to speak to the students for no more than ten (10) minutes.
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44 Legal References:

45 TCA § 49-6-305
46 20 USC § 4071

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48 Cross Reference:

49 2.900 Student Activities Fund Management
50 3.206 Community Use of School Facilities
5.605 Staff Gifts and Solicitations
6.701 Student Solicitations and Fundraising
6.705 Student Social Events