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STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Student organizations of the Windham School District shall operate in a manner that fosters student engagement, and benefits the Windham school community. Student organizations shall operate within state regulations, Windham School District policies, administrative procedures, and collective bargaining agreements.

Each principal shall adhere to the process for establishment and operation of student organizations with their respective school. The approval of the principal is required prior to the formation of any club or organization in the school. A description of the club, the designation or assignment of at least one faculty advisor, and a commencement date for the club are required for submission to the principal.

The formation of any student organization requires submission of a pilot club/organization request to the superintendent for approval and recommendation for school board approval to pilot status at a regular session of the Board. Advisors of pilot student organizations shall serve as volunteers, except as provided in the collective bargaining agreement by and between the School Board and Windham Education Association. Within these guidelines is the provision that after two (2) years of existence as a pilot organization, they may be subject of a review to become a permanent club recognized by the school district, with a paid faculty advisor position. This stipulation may require collective bargaining prior to determination.

All student organizations shall be required to open membership to all interested and/or eligible students. The conditions of student eligibility are as such:

- (1) Students must not be on suspension, social or academic probation as defined in the Student Handbook;
- (2) The student must not have any outstanding financial obligations;
- (3) Students' academic responsibilities and commitment take precedence over participation.
- (4) Principal may waive eligibility requirements under extenuating circumstances.

The creation or disbanding of clubs/organizations is within the authority of the School Board, following the recommendation by the superintendent. Pilot clubs/organizations must be self-supporting for the first two years of existence. A decision to create or disband clubs is based on sustainable levels of membership and the clubs ability to be self-sustaining for two consecutive years.

Legal References:

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