



SECTION IV: STUDENTS

POLICY 4350

STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN ACTIVITIES-SECONDARY SCHOOLS

The Broken Arrow Schools provide an extensive program of educational opportunities for all students. This includes a strong academic program which is enhanced by an activity program designed to give every student an opportunity to participate, to compete, to develop leadership and citizenship skills, and to experience success in worthwhile projects.

To ensure a balance between the curricular and extra-curricular components of the program, students will not be permitted to be absent from the classroom more than ten (10) times from any one class period of each school year to participate in school-approved activities except for state and national level contests for which the student has earned the right to compete.

Activity absences exempted from this policy shall be the following:

1. Counseling, health, and administrative services
2. OSSAA Qualifying Events
3. Testing services
4. Required assemblies
5. Required meetings of student governing and advisory boards
6. All activities identified in regulations of the Oklahoma State Department of Education guidelines.
7. Any Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association (OSSAA) Qualifying event

Any student whose activities in school-sponsored or school-sanctioned activities which require more than ten (10) absences may appeal through the principal of the school to the Internal Activities Review Committee for an exception to this policy. Any deviation from this policy shall not exceed five (5) additional absences.

Each school shall be responsible for establishing a record-keeping system in order to maintain an accurate account of class periods missed by each student and the reason therefore.

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Broken Arrow Board of Education policy revised, July 13, 2009.
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