PARTICIPATION OF HOMESCHOOLED, CHARTER-SCHOOLED, AND PRIVATE-SCHOOLED STUDENTS IN CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT PROGRAMS

I. Home schooling, charter schools, and private schools are alternative programs for parents who do not wish to have their students enrolled in a conventional public school. Home schooling is a means by which students are exempted from compulsory education while receiving instruction at home. Charter and private schools are institutions of learning that offer various educational opportunities with a unique structure and purpose. Periodically, parents of homeschooled, charter-schooled, and private-schooled students request the participation of their student in extracurricular activities, excluding sports, such as choir, band, and a variety of academic areas not available at home, charter, or private schools. These students may participate in such a program by action of the school associate superintendent or designee. Such enrollment requests do not apply to magnet school program courses. Magnet program enrollment is based upon established admissions criteria, fulltime enrollment, and participation in the magnet school program. Therefore, homeschooled, charter-schooled, or private-schooled students are not eligible and, therefore, are not qualified to participate in magnet school classes or extracurricular activities.

II. Upon the request of a parent or legal guardian of a student who is enrolled in a charter school, the school associate superintendent or designee may authorize the student, on a space available basis, to participate in classes and extracurricular activities, including sports, at a public school which he or she would otherwise be required to attend.

In an effort to provide uniformity and consistency to the application process and adhere to all governing statutory requirements for chartered-schooled students into a regular school program, the following is a list of criteria that must be met prior to allowing a student to participate in a Clark County School District (CCSD) program.

A. The student may only participate in a class or extracurricular activity, including sports, if space is available and he or she will not displace a CCSD student. For band or orchestra, the student must provide his or her own instrument. Participation in CCSD honor band, choir, or orchestra is not allowed, if this would displace a CCSD student.

B. Parents must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the school associate superintendent or designee that the student is qualified to participate in the class or extracurricular activity.
C. Transportation must be provided by the parent/guardian.

D. The student must abide by all CCSD rules and regulations regarding attendance, behavior, and program-specific requirements such as attendance at performances and special rehearsals.

E. The student must pay any expenses that may be required of CCSD students.

F. If the teacher and school administrative staff determine that the student is not adhering to any of the above criteria, the student will be removed from the program.

G. Per NAC 386.817, a student may not participate in more than one sanctioned sport during a season or the same sanctioned sport more than once during a school year.

H. A charter-schooled student may not participate in a sanctioned sport at a CCSD school if the charter school offers that sport at the charter school.

I. The request for participation for charter-schooled students in extracurricular activities and/or academic courses must be made to the building principal who will submit the request to the school associate superintendent for approval.

J. The school associate superintendent or designee may revoke approval for a student to participate in a class, extracurricular activity, or sports at a public school if the school associate superintendent or designee determines that the student is not otherwise qualified, or has failed to comply with applicable rules and regulations of an association for interscholastic activities.

III. Upon the request of a parent or legal guardian of a student who is homeschooled, the school associate superintendent or designee must allow the student to participate in activities and events, including sports, at a public school that he or she would otherwise be required to attend.

In an effort to provide uniformity and consistency to the application process and adhere to all governing statutory requirements for homeschooled students into a regular school program, the following is a list of criteria that must be met prior to allowing a homeschooled student to participate in a CCSD program.

A. The Notice of Intent to Homeschool must be on file with the Clark County School District
B. The student may only participate in a class or extracurricular activity, excluding sports, if space is available and will not displace a CCSD student. For band or orchestra, the student must provide his or her own instrument. Participation in CCSD honor band, choir, or orchestra is not allowed, if this would displace a CCSD student.

C. In order to be eligible to participate in a sanctioned sport, the parent or guardian of the homeschooled student must provide sufficient evidence that the student meets academic eligibility requirements.

D. A homeschooled student must be allowed to participate in activities and events, including sports, if a Notice of Intent of a Homeschooled Child to Participate in Programs and Activities is filed with the District.

E. A homeschooled student who participates in interscholastic activities and events at a public school may only participate at the school which the student would otherwise be required to attend.

F. The school may require proof of the identity of the student, prior to allowing a student to participate in a class or extracurricular activity, excluding sports.

G. The school shall require proof of the identity of the student, prior to allowing a student to participate in any interscholastic activities and events governed by the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA).

H. The student must abide by all rules and regulations that apply to students enrolled in public schools who participate in interscholastic activities, events, and sports including, without limitation: eligibility and qualifications for participation; fees for participation; insurance; transportation; requirements for a physical examination; responsibilities of participants; schedules of events; safety and welfare of participants; conduct of behavior and performance of participants; and disciplinary procedures.

I. No challenge may be brought by another school district, a public or private school, a student enrolled in a public or private school, or any other entity or person because a homeschooled student is allowed to participate.

J. The request for participation for homeschooled students in extracurricular activities and/or academic courses must be made to the building principal who will submit the request to the school associate superintendent for approval.
K. The school associate superintendent or designee may revoke approval for a student to participate in a class, extracurricular activity, or sports at a public school if the school associate superintendent or designee determines that the student is not otherwise qualified, or has failed to comply with applicable rules and regulations of an association for interscholastic activities.

IV. Upon the request of a parent or legal guardian of a student who is enrolled in a private school, the school associate superintendent or designee must authorize the student, on a space available basis, to participate in classes and extracurricular activities, excluding sports, at a public school which he or she would otherwise be required to attend.

In an effort to provide uniformity and consistency to the application process and adhere to all governing statutory requirements for private-schooled students into a regular school program, the following is a list of criteria that must be met prior to allowing a student to participate in a CCSD program.

A. The student may only participate in a class or extracurricular activity, excluding sports, if space is available and will not displace a CCSD student. For band or orchestra, the student must provide his or her own instrument. Participation in CCSD honor band, choir, or orchestra is not allowed, if this would displace a CCSD student.

B. Parents must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the school associate superintendent or designee that the student is qualified to participate in the class or extracurricular activity.

C. A private-schooled student who participates in interscholastic activities and events at a public school may only participate at the school which the student would otherwise be required to attend.

D. The school may require proof of the identity of the student, prior to allowing a student to participate in a class or extracurricular activity.

E. Transportation must be provided by the parent/guardian.

F. The student must abide by all CCSD rules and regulations regarding attendance, behavior, and program-specific requirements such as attendance at performances and special rehearsals.

G. The student must pay any expenses that may be required of CCSD students.
H. If the teacher and school administrative staff determine that the student is not adhering to any of the above criteria, the student will be removed from the program.

I. The request for participation for private-schooled students in extracurricular activities and/or academic courses must be made to the building principal who will submit the request to the school associate superintendent for approval.

J. The school associate superintendent or designee may revoke approval for a student to participate in a class or extracurricular activity at a public school if the school associate superintendent or designee determines that the student is not otherwise qualified, or has failed to comply with applicable rules and regulations of an association for interscholastic activities.

K. Per NAC 386.792, a pupil who attends private school is not eligible to participate in a sanctioned sport at his or her school of residence. If a student attends a private school with less than thirty (30) students enrolled that does not offer a sanctioned sport, a middle school student in Grades 6 through 8 may appeal his or her ineligibility to the Clark County School District Office of Student Athletics, and a high school student in Grades 9 through 12 may appeal his or her ineligibility to the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA).

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