

# **Policy and Procedures For the Student Activity Program**

# MISSION/PURPOSE

The Mission of Connecticut's Technical High School System is to provide a unique and rigorous high school learning environment that:

- ensures both student academic success, and trade/technology mastery and instills a zest for lifelong learning;
- prepares students for post-secondary education, including apprenticeships, and immediate productive employment; and
- responds to employers' and industries' current and emerging and changing global workforce needs and expectations through business/school partnerships.

Superintendent

#### PERTINENT LAW AND INFORMATION

The importance of co-curricular and interscholastic programs in the development of Connecticut's Technical High School System (CTHSS) students, was recognized by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1974, when it provided that, "The State Board of Education shall establish a student activity program consisting of athletic and non-athletic activities at each of its Connecticut Technical High School". (CGS sec.10-95a).

A Student Activity Fund is operated in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-52 to 4-55 inclusive of the General Statutes for the purpose of conducting all financial transactions of the Student Activity Program.

#### **CRITERIA FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

In order to fully prepare its students for their future role as members of the community, the Connecticut Technical High School System offers its students opportunities to experience democratic processes, to participate in social organizations and to develop interests that will lead to enjoyable leisure time activities. Therefore, the CTHSS provides a Student Activity Program to supplement the core educational program.

Student activities are educational enrichment experiences which are complementary to the CTHSS curriculum. Student activities enable students to explore interests and develop leadership capabilities, social competencies, civic understanding, appreciations, and various mental and physical skills. These educational enrichment experiences, which take numerous forms such at athletics, assemblies, creative arts, honor societies, clubs, lectures, trips, dances and student councils, are available to the entire student population, regardless of race, creed, color, gender, handicap, religion, sexual orientation, or socio-economic background. The essential element in these activities is that they are characterized by student participation and they exist for the benefit of the students.

## **REVENUE**

Approved revenue sources other than State funds include: Fees, Dues, School Store, Fund Raising, Vending Machines, Donations and Gifts, and Athletic Revenues from games or other sporting events.

### **DESIGNATION OF AUTHORITY**

The Superintendent of the CTHSS is authorized to develop administrative procedures to operate the program of Student Activities, and to provide exceptions to existing procedures upon receipt of valid documentation of need.

The School Principal is responsible for ensuring that the Program of Student Activities is operated in accordance with State Board of Education Policy, State Procedures and procedures promulgated by the Superintendent, and is accountable for all funds.

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