

## **STATE & NATIONAL COMPETITIONS POLICY**

During the spring of 2023, a committee made up of School Board members (*Darby Boe, Jordan Johnson, Mark Jones*), Activities Director, High School Principal, and Superintendent met and came up with the following recommendations. The committee has developed a classification system for activities and athletics at our school, with a specific focus on determining which events and activities should receive financial support if participants qualify for State level competitions. The system is organized into three categories: 1) Extra-curricular, 2) Co-curricular, and 3) Sponsored Clubs and Organizations.

Extra-curricular is inclusive of all Minnesota State High School League sanctioned varsity level activities at the school. (Football, Volleyball, Cross-Country, Basketball, Track, Baseball, Softball, Golf, Wrestling, Danceline, Speech, One-Act Play, Mock Trial, Visual Arts, Cheerleading, and Clay Target)

The Co-curricular category includes activities that are directly tied to the school's curriculum. (FCCLA, FFA, Robotics, Choir, Jazz Band, and Pep Band)

The School Sponsored Clubs and Organizations includes the following activities. (Trapshooting, E-sports, and Knowledge Bowl)

Financial support for State-level competitions includes:

Extra-curricular: Teams and individuals qualifying for State competition

Co-curricular: Individuals qualifying for State competition and Chapter Officers

Financial support will include:

State - District provides transportation, lodging, registration fees up to a total cost determined annually by the School Board.

Advisor - district provides transportation, lodging, registration fee and substitute costs if applicable.

Chaperones - district provides transportation, lodging, registration fee and total number is to be approved by administration.

National - district funds are not available to support national competitions, and other funding sources will need to be identified.

Overall, the committee believes that this classification system will help the school allocate its financial resources in a more effective and efficient manner while ensuring that programs will have a better grasp of their fundraising needs.