

## Attachment A

### 493 Secret Clubs

Delete this title and sections a, b, and c. Incorporate into new 456, Student-Organized Extracurricular Clubs.

### ~~348.1-456~~ Student-Organized Extracurricular Clubs

Unit principals shall permit students to organize clubs within the following criteria:

- a. Students may organize extracurricular clubs provided that the club formation and activities are student-initiated and voluntary.
- b. ~~L.~~ The School District does not endorse or sponsor the meeting or activities of student-initiated clubs. Student clubs exist as an expression of individual rights and are the sole responsibility of the membership.
- c. ~~J.~~ ~~Student-organized extracurricular~~ clubs must have a club purpose statement and constitution which is approved by the school principal prior to initiation of club activities. School administration will provide a standard format, requirements and advice on production of the purpose statement and constitution. All statements in the constitution must be correct and factual. The statements of purpose and constitution may not:
  1. Exclude students from membership.
  2. Propose unlawful or violent acts.
  3. Propose or otherwise entail a violation of any of the criteria set forth in ~~School Board Policy 347.1~~ or any ~~other~~ policy of the Anchorage School District.
- d. ~~I.~~ ~~Student-organized extracurricular~~ clubs are expressly prohibited from the following:
  1. Interfering with the orderly conduct of the school.
  2. Promoting, encouraging, or sanctioning activities that are unlawful.
  3. Abridging the constitutional rights of any person.

4. Compelling a school agent or employee to attend a meeting that is contrary to the beliefs of that agent or employee.
5. Engaging in hazing or initiation activities.
6. Engaging in harassment or discriminatory activities.

- e. ~~C.~~ Membership in a student-organized-extracurricular club is open to all students.
- f. ~~E.~~ A student-organized-extracurricular club shall have a school monitor who ensures that school policies are not violated but who does not participate in the clubs.
- g. ~~D.~~ Parent or guardian permission is required before a student may participate in a club meeting or activity.
- h. ~~C.~~ The activities of a student-organized-extracurricular club shall take place only during non-instructional time.
- i. ~~H.~~ The school shall not expend public funds to the student-organized-extracurricular club beyond the incidental cost of providing the space for meetings.
- j. ~~K.~~ A student-organized-extracurricular club may raise and expend funds for purposes endorsed in the club statement of purpose and constitution only.
- k. ~~F.~~ Non-school persons (i.e., persons who are neither students nor employees of the Anchorage School District) shall not direct, control, conduct, or regularly attend the meetings or activities of student-organized-extracurricular clubs.
- l. ~~B.~~ The activities of school clubs will follow the sexuality education guidelines for instruction as adopted by the Board if school clubs present instructional material to the school population.
- m. ~~H.~~ The school principal retains the right to prohibit activities and meetings and to disband clubs which engage in the above-listed conduct of clubs who

violate Board Policies and Administrative Procedures.

n. ~~12.~~ The school principal may disband a club which violates Board Policy. The club may appeal this decision through the Administration and up to the School Board. Students who continue to perpetuate a disbanded club or its activities will be subject to disciplinary action. Student organized \_\_\_\_\_ extracurricular clubs may appeal to the School Board if a school administrator orders that the club be \_\_\_\_\_ disbanded.

o. Clubs that exist within a school but have not been approved as a student club will either seek that approval or disband. Students who continue to perpetuate the club or its activities will be subject to disciplinary action.

**493.1 457 Prohibited Organizations and Groups**

Renumber as Policy 457; no further changes needed to the actual policy language.