

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Student Organizations

Student organizations in the District shall be encouraged to form when they meet the criteria of contributing to student self-esteem and performance and shall operate within the framework of state statutes, School Committee policies, and administrative procedures.

The formation of any student organization shall require approval by the **Principal, Superintendent and School Committee**. Each Building Principal shall develop procedures for operation of student organizations within the particular school. **At the time the student organization is being considered for approval the Building Principal and HTA president will agree upon recommended potential stipend which may be approved by the School Committee.**

All student organizations shall be required to open membership to all interested and/or eligible students.

All forms of hazing in initiations shall be prohibited in a student organization. No initiation shall be held for a student organization which will bring criticism to the school system or be degrading to the student.

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