# POLICY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

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## EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

#### A. PURPOSE

To provide students with the opportunity to participate in extracurricular programs regardless of their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, or disability.

#### B. ISSUE

All students should have the opportunity to participate in extracurricular programs. Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, or disability.

#### C. POSITION

- 1. Extracurricular programs are voluntary activities for students that are offered beyond the regular school day, or during available time, that is school sanctioned for this purpose, during the school day.
- 2. The Board of Education of Anne Arundel County (Board) is committed to providing a wide variety of extracurricular opportunities for students. The Board believes that access to, and participation in, extracurricular activities engages student interest and ability and is an essential part of a student's overall educational experience.
- 3. Consistent with federal and state laws, the Board prohibits discrimination and ensures equal opportunities for all students without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, or disability.
- 4. The Board supports and follows the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (MIC3). Accordingly, Anne Arundel County Public Schools shall facilitate the opportunity for transitioning military children's inclusion in extracurricular programs regardless of application or try out deadlines, to the extent they are otherwise eligible and qualified.

### D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

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Note Previous Policy History: Replaces Policy 909, adopted 11/06/74, revised 05/20/91