

# Board Policy

Code No. 603.6

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students in grades one through twelve shall be required to participate in physical education courses in accordance with the Iowa Code, unless they are excused by the principal of their attendance center.

A student shall not be required to enroll in physical education courses if the student's parent or guardian files a written statement with the school principal that the course conflicts with the student's religious beliefs. Students who will not participate in physical education must have a written request or statement from their parents. The written request shall include a proposed alternate activity or study acceptable to the building principal. The principal shall have the final authority to determine the alternate activity or study.

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603 Instructional Curriculum

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