

EXTRACURRICULAR COURSE CREDIT APPLICATION

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Why?

Every school year, students seek and partake in unique opportunities to strengthen their learning experiences, academics skills and learn about potential career choices. Some options are made available through after-school activities and community programs that promote various life and career skills beneficial to the learner. Students deepen and sharpen learning experiences when they participate in meaningful, rigorous, and relevant activities to their lives.

The CNMI Public School Systems honors and appreciates students' commitment to practice social and academic skills after school hours. In the movement of establishing more Career Pathways, providing alternative routes or flexibility for students to integrate choice with their high school's program of study. Collaboration, teamwork, problem-solving, critical thinking, and stewardship are some of the many skills students exercise and demonstrate through extracurricular activities.

Student voice is exemplified by their initiative to participate in extracurricular activities and seek graduation credit through their time, dedication, and planned outcomes. We will continue to support student aspirations, including both their personal and academic goals.

Extracurricular Course Credit Guidelines

The CNMI Public School System acknowledges that there are special circumstances that might lead a student to request that credit be given for extracurricular work completed OUTSIDE of the scope of the CNMI PSS curriculum. In the interest of helping students move ahead toward their academic and career goals, CNMI PSS is willing to consider giving credit within the following guidelines. Credit must be approved by, and will be transferred at the discretion of the respective school principal, counselor and registrar. Extracurricular activities include activities organized and supervised under the auspices of the school.

Extracurricular activities primarily involve students in activities occurring outside academic class time, for which no units of credit are awarded. PE credit is limited to organized health, nutrition or fitness classes, team sports or club sports.

1. Extracurricular credit will be awarded ONLY when a student needs it to fulfill CNMI PSS high school graduation requirements for elective courses.
2. Extracurricular activities that are only from the approved list will be eligible for credit.
3. At least 60 hours of participation must be accumulated and logged over the course of a school year and consecutive summer to earn .5 credits; 120 hours = 1 credit.
4. Extracurricular credits will be given a grade of "P" and will not impact GPA.
5. Extracurricular activities must be supervised by a coach, trainer, teacher or qualified adult.
6. Logs must be turned in within one month of completing activities. The CNMI PSS Extracurricular credit Activity Log must be used.
7. All extracurricular credit must be approved and awarded before the end of the first semester of a student's graduation year.
8. Pre-approval to participate in extracurricular activities is not required. However, to earn credit for extracurricular activities, a completed Extracurricular Credit Application must be submitted to the respective school for approval.
9. Extracurricular activities must be on the PSS Extracurricular Activities List.
10. Extracurricular credit applications will not be accepted unless they are completely filled out and accompanied by appropriate and necessary documentation such as log sheets, certificates, description of activity, etc. Further documentation or information may be requested by the designated school official.

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SUBPART I - ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS

§ 60-20-486 STUDENT GROUP USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

- (a) An activity is to be considered curricular if the subject matter is or will be taught in a regularly offered class; if the subject matter concerns the body of courses as a whole; if participation in the group is a requirement for a course; or if academic credit is available for participation.
- (b) Extracurricular activities include activities organized and supervised under the auspices of the school. Extracurricular activities primarily involve students in activities occurring outside academic class time, for which no units of credit are awarded.
- (c) Any activity that does not meet the definition of a curricular or extracurricular activity will be considered non-curricular.
- (d) Secondary schools will provide an opportunity for student-initiated non-curricular groups to meet on school premises during non-instructional time when the following criteria have been met:
- (1) A meeting must be voluntary and student-initiated. No student shall be in any way coerced to participate in religious or other activity. Teachers and school administrators, when acting within the course and scope of their employment will strictly observe a policy of official neutrality regarding religious activity.
 - (2) No school employee may sponsor, promote, lead, or participate in any student-initiated, non-curricular meeting. However, a teacher, administrator, or other school employee may be assigned to monitor the group's facility use and student conduct.
 - (3) Employees and agents of the school may be present at student-initiated religious meetings only in a non-participatory capacity.
 - (4) The meeting does not materially and substantially interfere with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school.

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Directions: This section can be filled out by students and reviewed by parents. Please ask program supervisor or school counselor for additional assistance if needed.

DATE: _____

STUDENT NAME: (PLEASE PRINT) _____

GRADE LEVEL: _____ EXPECTED YEAR OF GRADUATION: _____

CAREER PATHWAY: _____

NAME OF ACTIVITY/PROGRAM: _____

START DATE: _____ END DATE: _____

TEACHER/SUPERVISOR NAME: _____

TEACHER/SUPERVISOR PHONE #: _____

TEACHER/SUPERVISOR EMAIL: _____

DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED:

1. APPLICATION (PAGE 2)
2. ACTIVITY LOG (PAGE 3)
3. COURSE DESCRIPTION (PAGE 7)
4. OTHER EVIDENCES: EX. CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION, FINAL PROJECT, PICTURES, ETC.

I HAVE READ THE EXTRACURRICULAR CREDIT GUIDELINES:

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT PRINTED NAME: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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EXTRACURRICULAR COURSE ACTIVITY LOG

Student Name(Print): _____

School Year(s): _____

Directions: This section can be filled out by students and reviewed by parents. Please ask program supervisor or school counselor for additional assistance if needed. Please include only activities/hours on this sheet. Be sure Coach, Supervisor or Teacher reviews and approves the log information. Make additional copies of this log sheet if needed.

Date/ Initial	Activity	Hours	Date/ Initial	Activity	Hours
TOTAL Hours (this page/month)					

Student Signature: _____ Phone: _____

The student named above completed the work listed above under my supervision.

Supervisor Name (Print): _____ Phone: _____

Supervisor Signature: _____

Student Self-Assessment

Describe your experience in the program, activity or project. Reflect on any success and/or challenges.	
Student Name:	
Name of Program or Activity:	
What is the main question, task, or activity?	
Why did you participate in this activity?	
About Yourself:	
What is the most important thing you learned or experienced?	1.
What do you wish you had spent more time on or had done differently?	2.
What part of the project did you do your best work on?	3.
About the Project:	
What was the most enjoyable part of this project?	1.
What was the least enjoyable part of this project?	2.
How could your advisor/teacher change this project to make it better next time?	3.

// Approved Extracurricular Activities

NFL- National Forensic League
NJFL- National Junior Forensic League
NSDA-National Speech and Debate Association
NJSDA-National Junior Speech and Debate Association
Spelling Bee

Math Court
Math Count
Math Olympiad
CNMI Island Wide STEM Fair
Green Dream Competition
International Science & Engineering Fair
Real World Design Challenge

Mock Trial Close Up
Junior Statesman of America Summer Programs (pre-college summer schools and institutes)
Attorney General's Cup

CNMI Agricultural Fair
Geography Bee
National History Day Competition (NM Humanities Council)

Chamorro and Carolinian PSS (CCLHS State Level Language & Performing Arts Competition)
NSDA-CCLHS
NJSDA-CCLHS
Chamorro Club
Carolinian Club
Japanese Club
Filipino Club
Micronesia Club

Service-Learning Activity:

Definition: an educational approach that combines learning objectives with community service in order to provide a pragmatic, progressive learning experience while meeting societal needs.

Examples: Tutoring, Research Projects, Events, Awareness Campaigns

Non-Examples: Work-Study Internship, Community Service, Volunteerism

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Approved Extracurricular Activities cont.

Flame Tree Festival
Flame Tree Art Competition
PSS Music and Art Festival
Congressional
Art Competition Marianas Got Talent
Tumon Bay Music Festival
NM Humanities Council Video Competition NMC Charter Day
Friends of the Arts National Thespian Festival
Sengebau Poetry
Def Jam
Guam Chamorro Competition
CNMI Cultural Heritage Month CCLHS Cultural Festival

National Honor Society
National Junior Honor Society
Youth Congress
BOE Student Representative
Americorps

National Level Drill Meet Competition
Inter-island Drill Meet Competition
JROTC Academic/Leadership Bowl
JLAB Online and Washington DC

College and Career Ready training, workshops, seminars, etc. (i.e. Kuder-related activities)
Junior Achievement Program
On-the-Job Training/Summer Training
Culinary Competitions

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STEP-UP Research Program
WPRFMC Fisheries Summer Course
Tasi To Table
Project HOPE (Healthy Oceans & People Empowerment)

High School Sponsored Sports:
(Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Track & Field, tennis, Swimming, Softball, Baseball)

Sports Clubs:
(Paddling, Soccer)