

**STUDENT ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION: MEALS, LODGING  
AND TRANSPORTATION**

**I. PURPOSE**

It is the policy of Independent School District No. 1 to promote and support student extracurricular activities in a manner which is appropriate and fair. Also, it is the policy and practice of the school district to support activities in a manner which demonstrates common sense, prudence and responsibility. With that in mind, the following guidelines are set forth:

**II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

1. All MSHSL state tournament entrants or teams will be allowed meal and lodging money per Aitkin ISD No. 1 reimbursement to the maximum of that reimbursement only. Expenses beyond those limits must be borne by the participant, booster organization, donations or other. Those teams which are supported by cheerleading squads throughout the year will have those cheerleading squads available to cheer at state meets. When individuals progress to state competition (i.e. wrestling), in order for cheerleaders to accompany those individuals, a minimum of three participants will be required; with less than three individual participants, no cheerleaders will be provided. Cheerleading squads will be reimbursed for state tournaments by the school district as determined by the Superintendent and Activities Director.
2. Non-MSHSL activities (i.e. BPA, FFA, FHA, etc.) participants will be allowed certain expense (registration, lodging, mileage, etc.) reimbursement to the limit of the budgeted dollars for student participation in that account.
3. When an activity group or entrant in a MSHSL section event is an overnight trip (decision for an overnight trip will be made on a case-by-case basis by the principal and the activities director), they will be allowed meal and lodging expenses in the following amounts:  
  
Lodging - \$100 per room  
Breakfast - \$8, Lunch - \$9, Dinner - \$11
4. No meal money will be allowed for teams or entrants that are not overnight trips, no exception.
5. Dues for participants in activities will be paid by Independent School District No. 1 at the state level.

6. There will be no funding for participating in national events.

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