

**This Policy to be stricken – Policy committee 5-06-03  
See policy number 549**

***COMMUNITY YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES***

*All students are encouraged to become involved in the various community youth group activities available. However, no student, as part of a school program, will be required to participate in non-school community youth group activities.*

**SECRET SOCIETIES PROHIBITED**

No person, group or organization will establish a fraternity, sorority or secret society whose membership is comprised in whole or in part of students enrolled in the public elementary or secondary schools in this district, or solicit a student to become a member of such organization; nor will students enrolled in any of this district’s public schools become a member of such organization, or pledge himself or herself to become a member of any such organization.

A fraternity, sorority or secret society will be interpreted as any organization, the active membership of which is comprised in whole or in part of students enrolled in this district’s schools, and which exists or perpetuates itself wholly or partly by selecting members on the basis of the decision of its membership rather than upon the basis of the right of any student, qualified by the rules and regulations of the school, to be a member. The definition will not be construed to include organizations institutionally sponsored by agencies of public welfare, such as the Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of America, Campfire Girls, the YMCA and YWCA, and similar organizations.

The board may withdraw the rights and privileges of students participating in such secret society or fraternity or sorority, may deny graduation, deprive students of credit, or suspend or expel such students.



**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Idaho Code Sections 33-1901 *et seq.*

**ADOPTED:**

*Presented to the Policy Committee 5-06-03*

*\*Language in text set forth in italics is optional.*