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Student Athletics

The Board encourages student participation in recreational athletics and competitive intercollegiate sports as a means of developing physical fitness, leadership, and enhancing intellectual ability. The President is authorized to promote and establish intramural athletics and intercollegiate sports among students consistent with this Policy and System standards.

The primary mission of any athletic team or sport supported by the College is to serve the needs of the College's students by providing quality student-athlete programs. Each athletic program must be built on a foundation of integrity, excellence, and scholarship. Recognizing the value of diversity and equality, the College is committed to offering opportunity for all. The College's athletic program shall promote strong academic standards, emphasize service to school and community, and ultimately form a reputation of open opportunity and excellence.

Funds appropriated by the System as operating expenses for allocation to the College shall not be used to support recreation extension courses or intercollegiate athletics. The financing of these sports and courses by the College shall be on a self-supporting basis, and membership hours produced from these activities shall not be counted when computing full-time equivalent students for use in budget-funding formulas at the State level. The Board authorizes interested organizations such as the Student Government Association to use student activity fees to support College athletics. The Board also encourages the Craven Community College Foundation to support College athletic activities to the extent it deems appropriate.

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