

REFERENCE TITLE: students; interscholastic activities; eligibility; costs

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## **SB 1693**

Introduced by  
Senator Kavanagh

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY  
ADDING SECTIONS 15-802.02 AND 15-802.03; RELATING TO INTERSCHOLASTIC  
ACTIVITIES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 8, article 1, Arizona Revised  
3 Statutes, is amended by adding sections 15-802.02 and 15-802.03, to read:

4 15-802.02. Interscholastic activities; private school  
5 students; eligibility to participate;  
6 prohibition; definition

7 A. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, A PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT WHO  
8 RESIDES IN THE ATTENDANCE AREA OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL BE ALLOWED TO TRY  
9 OUT FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE  
10 SAME MANNER AS A STUDENT WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL. EXCEPT AS  
11 PROVIDED IN SECTION 15-802.03, THE POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO  
12 REGISTRATION, AGE ELIGIBILITY, FEES, INSURANCE, TRANSPORTATION, PHYSICAL  
13 CONDITION, QUALIFICATIONS, RESPONSIBILITIES, EVENT SCHEDULES, STANDARDS OF  
14 BEHAVIOR AND PERFORMANCE FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN OR  
15 TRYING OUT FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE  
16 POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC  
17 SCHOOL.

18 B. THE PARENT OF A PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT WHO TRIES OUT FOR AN  
19 INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL SUBMIT WRITTEN  
20 VERIFICATION TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOL THAT THE STUDENT IS BOTH:

21 1. RECEIVING A PASSING GRADE IN EACH COURSE OR SUBJECT THE STUDENT  
22 IS BEING TAUGHT.

23 2. MAINTAINING SATISFACTORY PROGRESS TOWARDS ADVANCEMENT OR  
24 PROMOTION.

25 C. A PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED IN A SCHOOL  
26 DISTRICT, CHARTER SCHOOL OR DIFFERENT PRIVATE SCHOOL IS INELIGIBLE TO  
27 PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL  
28 YEAR DURING WHICH THE STUDENT WAS PREVIOUSLY ENROLLED.

29 D. A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY NOT CONTRACT WITH ANY PRIVATE ENTITY THAT  
30 SUPERVISES INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES IF THE PRIVATE ENTITY PROHIBITS  
31 PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM PARTICIPATING IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES  
32 AT PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR CHARTER SCHOOLS.

33 E. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT" MEANS  
34 A STUDENT WHO RESIDES WITHIN THE ATTENDANCE AREA OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL AND  
35 WHO IS EDUCATED IN A PRIVATE SCHOOL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 15-802 THAT DOES  
36 NOT OFFER THE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY FOR WHICH THE STUDENT IS TRYING  
37 OUT.

38 15-802.03. Interscholastic activities; non-public school  
39 students; maximum participation fees

40 A. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, A PUBLIC SCHOOL MAY NOT CHARGE A  
41 PARTICIPATION FEE FOR A STUDENT WHO IS NOT ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL  
42 TO PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR MORE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO  
43 SECTION 15-802.01 OR 15-802.02 THAT EXCEEDS THE STUDENT'S PRO RATA SHARE  
44 OF THE PROGRAM COSTS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, A STUDENT'S PRO  
45 RATA SHARE IS CALCULATED BY DIVIDING THE TOTAL AMOUNT THAT THE PUBLIC

1 SCHOOL HAS BUDGETED FOR THE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY BY THE TOTAL NUMBER  
2 OF STUDENTS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY DURING  
3 THE BUDGET YEAR.

4 B. THIS SECTION DOES NOT PREVENT A PUBLIC SCHOOL FROM REQUIRING  
5 STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR MORE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES  
6 PURSUANT TO SECTION 15-802.01 OR 15-802.02 TO PAY FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO  
7 THE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY IF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL REQUIRES ALL  
8 PARTICIPATING STUDENTS, INCLUDING STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC  
9 SCHOOL, TO PAY FOR THOSE EXPENSES.