

**Ada City Schools
Internal Activities Review Committee
2026-2027**

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Criteria and Standards for Deviation from Activity Absence Ten Day Rule

General Student Requirements

1. The student must be in good standing within the rules of the activity.
2. The student must be eligible and in good academic standing.
3. The student must meet the attendance requirements of the respective school.

Criteria for Earning the Right to Participate Beyond Ten Days (Class Periods) in State or National Competition

1. Athletics – Guidelines as set forth by the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association for participation beyond district or regional competition.
2. Fine Arts – (Vocal, Instrumental, Speech, Drama & Debate) Guidelines as set forth by the Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association for participation beyond district or regional competition.

Contests Exempt from the Activity Absence Ten Day (Class Period) Rule

1. Participation or competition in any OSSAA playoff or competition held after district and/or regional play (whichever is appropriate for a particular sport or activity) has been completed.
 - Football
 - Basketball (Boys and Girls)
 - Cross Country (Boys and Girls)
 - Wrestling
 - Baseball
 - Softball
 - Soccer (Boys and Girls)
 - Tennis (Boys and Girls)
 - Golf (Boys and Girls)
 - Track (Boys and Girls)
 - Swimming (Boys and Girls)
 - Band
 - Vocal Music
 - Instrumental Music
 - Speech
 - Drama
 - Student Council (State Level)
 - Debate

Additional allowances for Band, Music (Instrumental and Vocal), Speech/Debate, Mock Trial, and Drama. These activities also have "auditions" prior to district or regional competitions.

2. The following activities have been approved by the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education for exclusion from the 10 Day Rule. The activities represent the seven CareerTech Student Organizations, including BPA, DECA, FCCLA, FFA, HOSA, SkillsUSA, and TSA.

- **District, State and National Leadership Activities**
- **Career Development Events**
- **Project Exhibition**
- **Career Guidance Events**

The specific activities approved by the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education for exclusion from the 10 Day Rule are limited to activities for the elected officers of each organization and students who have met criteria which qualifies the organization for competition beyond the local level.

It is the responsibility of the student to plan and be responsible for these absences. The student should check with sponsors and coaches to aid in selection of events that the student may wish to attend.

The principal will keep or cause to be kept a record of those days or class periods missed due to school activities. These records will be open daily for inspection to aid the student in planning absences throughout the year.

Any absence over the maximum of ten without the written permission of the Internal Activities Review Committee shall be counted as an excused or unexcused absence.

It is the responsibility of the sponsor/teacher or coach to prepare a list of activities that the student may attend during the school year and apprise students of the list. The sponsor/teacher or coach should check the activity absence list regularly in order to help students plan for future absences.

Activity Absence Policy Guide

State and National Contests

- Those contests for which a student must earn the right to participate.
- Establish criteria for earning the right to represent the school in any state or national contest.
- Local boards of education shall decide what contests are to be considered state and national levels of participation. These contests shall be included in the board minutes.

Determining if Contest is Exempt from the Rule

Questions to consider

1. Is the contest a state or national level contest?
 2. Is the student participating in the contest?
 3. Did the student earn the right to participate in the contest?
- If the answer to all of the above three questions is yes, then the contest is exempted from the ten day (class period) rule.
 - If the answer to any of the above three questions is no, then the contest is not exempted from the ten day (class period) rule.

Responsibilities of the Internal Activities Review Committee

- The committee is responsible for reviewing and recommending any deviation of the activities attendance policy to the local board of education
- The local board of education shall have final authority in deciding if a student's deviation from the ten day (class period) rule shall be approved.
- Any deviation from the rule shall not exceed five days (class periods).
- Any absence exceeding the ten day (class period) rule, and not approved as a deviation (not to exceed five days/class periods) by the Internal Activities Review Committee and /or the local board of education, will result in the student being counted as not in attendance for that day (class period).