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### Rationale

The Board of Directors recognizes the value of athletic competition between schools. As part of the CISVD Risk Management Plan it is imperative that students engaging in extra-curricular school athletics be accompanied by a teacher coach, teacher sponsor, administrator, or responsible adult approved by the Principal.

### Policy

Each school under the direction of the Principal will ensure that all students engaged in extra-curricular activities will have a teacher coach or sponsor, or responsible adult approved by the Principal.

### Regulation

1. Each school athletic team must be under the guidance and responsibility of a teacher, staff member or approved adult. An adult is defined as someone 19 years of age or older.
2. The Principal will review the suitability of all coaches with the Athletic Director (if a staff member is assigned this duty) at the beginning of each school year.
3. It is the responsibility of the Principal to give final approval for all coaches.
4. All coaches are required to have the skills and training necessary to coach the sport they are undertaking. Furthermore, it is recommended at the high school level that coaches have completed a minimum of Level One Theory of the National Coaching Certification Program.
5. All coaches employed by CISDV are required to:
  - follow the CIDV Field Trip Policy 508
  - be familiar with the “Youth Safe Outdoors” manual when engaging in higher care activities
6. All coaches who are not employed by the school as a teacher or support staff are required to:
  - provide at least two references to the Principal prior to commencing
  - provide a satisfactorily completed criminal record check to the Principal prior to commencing
  - be accompanied by a teacher sponsor on all overnight staysfollow the CISDV Field trip Policy 508



Reference: Youth Safe Outdoors Resource Manual	Approved
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Cross-reference: Policy 508 Field Trip Policy Policy 1006 – Risk Management Policy 522 – Student Transportation Policy 428 - Volunteers	Date(s) Revised: September 2007