

**Series 5000 – Instructional Programs**

**Section 5300 – Student Activities**

**Policy 5303 - School Assemblies, Days Off, and Skip Days**

- 5303.1 In view of the responsibility of the schools to develop in its students excellence in academics, citizenship and individual development, the importance of school assemblies as part of the over-all educational system is unquestioned.
- 5303.2 A variety of programs of educational and cultural significance should be presented to the students on a regular basis. Scheduling, supervision, and implementation of such programs shall be the responsibility of the building principal.
- 5303.3 Days off from school shall not be an approved school observance for such occasions as achieving exemplary school status, sports championships, etc. It shall be the responsibility of the building principal, working in conjunction with the school staff and community, to provide appropriate activities in recognition of any awards or honors bestowed upon the school. This is necessitated because of the importance of instructional time per day as mandated by the West Virginia Board of Education.
- 5303.4 Senior skip days are not sanctioned, condoned or recognized by the Harrison County Board of Education. Students who participate in these activities will be considered truant and their absences handled accordingly.

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