



## Administrative Procedure 263

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# HIGH SCHOOL BRACKET RACING

## Background

The District is not the sponsor, organizer, operator or supervisor of high school bracket racing or race-related events or activities.

## Procedures

### 1. General

- 1.1. All events must be organized and sponsored by the British Columbia Secondary School Motorsport Association (BCSSMA).
- 1.2. Participation must be in compliance with all BCSSMA regulations and expectations. School and District expectations will also apply through the duration of these activities.
- 1.3. Principals wanting to participate must make a formal written application to the Superintendent for approval.
- 1.4. All school bracket racing teams/clubs must have a teacher sponsor who is willing and able to attend all competitions in person. The sponsor must be identified in the letter to the Superintendent.
- 1.5. Organization of bracket racing activities for secondary school students is only permitted for events:
  - 1.5.1. At motorsport racetracks, operated pursuant to National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) certification, insurance and safety arrangements; and,
  - 1.5.2. Promoted by the BCSSMA for high school students involving races limited to elapsed times in the one quarter mile of not less than twelve (12) seconds.

### 2. Requirements for Establishment of a Bracket Racing Team/Club at Secondary Schools.

- 2.1. Meetings must be organized in the fall of each year for parents and students at which:
  - 2.1.1. Information on the rules and regulations of the sport will be provided and reviewed.
  - 2.1.2. Students and parents will be advised that the District is not responsible or liable for loss or damage regarding vehicles while being transported to or from, or being operated in motorsport events and that motor vehicle insurance is generally null and void while vehicles are participating in motorsport activities.

- 2.1.3. Providers of vehicles utilized in bracket racing activities will be advised of the responsibility for the provision of a safe, appropriately equipped, vehicle for the event and of the requirement that they provide written authorization for the use of the vehicle, at their entire risk, for the event.
- 2.1.4. Students and parents will be advised that the District is not the organizer, sponsor, operator or supervisor of any motorsport events and that participants are assuming all risks for injuries/damages; and
- 2.1.5. Parents and students complete the [District Higher Risk Field Trip form](#) (Form 260-4) and all related BCSSMA forms (see Item 2).

### 3. Requirements for Student Participation

- 3.1. Only those students for whom the following forms are fully completed and signed by their parents will be permitted to participate. Forms must be completed yearly, on file and witnessed by the Principal. Forms to be completed include:
  - 3.1.1. [Higher Risk Field Trip Form](#) (Form 260-4)
  - 3.1.2. Minor Participant – Assumption and Acknowledgment of Risk (in BCSSMA package)
  - 3.1.3. Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims Assumption of Risks and Indemnity Agreement (in BCSSMA package)
  - 3.1.4. Any other relevant BCSSMA or District forms requested.
- 3.2. Vehicles may only be operated by persons with a valid driver's license.
- 3.3. The sponsor teacher who accompanies students to high school bracket racing events organized and directed by motorsport race tracks is to be familiar with the safety rules and regulations of high school bracket racing in order to be supportive of event operations being directed by the race track operator.
- 3.4. The sponsor teacher will also ensure that all safety equipment used in the events meet current CSA and/or industry standards.
- 3.5. "School" vehicles to be utilized in high school bracket racing must be prepared to NHRA standards under the supervision of a teacher sponsor with recognized automotive skills who is familiar with the NHRA standard.
- 3.6. All vehicles must be inspected by an independent NHRA certified inspector before each race.
- 3.7. All participating students must have read and be familiar with all the rules and regulations specified by the BCSSMA as well as this Administrative Procedure.

Reference: Sections 8, 17, 20, 22, 65, 85, 177 School Act

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