

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

The interscholastic athletic program of the district will be organized under the following guidelines:

- The athletic program is an integral part of the high school curriculum and comes under the authority of the principal to the same degree as all other phases of the curriculum.
- Participation in interscholastic athletics is primarily for students in grades 9-12, with a limited participation of students in lower grades as determined by league or conference requirements and as allowed by the Board.
- Programs of interscholastic athletics will be available to students and will provide equal access to school facilities; coaching and instruction; scheduling of practice times and games; number of activities at each level of competition; and equipment, supplies and services.
- The school district is a member of the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA). In all athletic matters the district will adhere firmly to the rules and regulations of that body and to the philosophy of interscholastic athletics that MSHSAA encourages. The eligibility of students to participate in the athletic program shall be determined in accordance with district and MSHSAA regulations.
- No student may start practice for any athletic team, including cheerleading squads, until he or she has been examined and approved by a physician and until written consent has been obtained from the parent/guardian in accordance with MSHSAA regulations.
- District participation in interscholastic athletics will be subject to approval by the Board. This will include approval of membership in any leagues, associations or conferences.
- Insurance against accident or injury will be required for students engaged in interscholastic athletics.

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Note: The reader is encouraged to review policies and/or forms for related information in this administrative area.

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