



Policy: 9.48

SUBJECT: INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

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1.0 Policy

The Board subscribes to the regulations of the Michigan High School Athletic Association for Junior High/Middle Schools and Senior High Schools and will take annual action to maintain membership in that association.

The interscholastic athletic program will be organized, supervised, and maintained under the jurisdiction of the Board and carried out in compliance with requirements of the association, state laws and regulations, and equal opportunity mandates of Title IX. Accordingly:

1. All students taking part in interscholastic athletics will have on file for the current year the results of a physical examination providing evidence of their physical fitness for participation, and parental approval forms.
2. Accident insurance will be made available to participating students through a group plan contracted for with the Michigan High School Athletic Association. A card indicating that the parents have received information on the plan, whether or not they accepted it, will be on file for each participating student. As permitted by law, students will pay the cost of accident insurance if the family is financially able to do so. No general fee for participation in any sport will be charged.
3. Girls will be given equal opportunity with boys to participate in athletics, interscholastic and intramural. The participation of boys and girls on the same team will be in accordance with state law and regulations of the association. There will be equity for the girls' and boys' sports programs in the following particulars: length of seasons, equipment budget, transportation allotment, coaches salaries, use of school facilities, assignment of officials, fees for men and women officials, championship games.

Note: For additional information, refer to the current Handbook of the Michigan High School Athletic Association and the current Athletic Manual of the Detroit Public Schools. The latter includes details on tickets and receipts, payment of expenses, arrangements for officials, athletic awards, transportation, crowd control, sports schedules, and other details. Safety requirements for all sports and physical education are set forth in the Handbook of Safety Regulations.

Scholastic Requirement for Participation

Students participating in interscholastic athletics will be required to have a C average (2.0) or better for the semester immediately prior to participation, and must maintain a C average or better during the period of participation.

Attachments to Policy 9.48: None

Legal References: MCLA § 380.1289
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Labor Contract References: None