

### 2436 ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION FEE PROGRAM

The Board of Education recognizes the value of athletic competition and co-curricular activities outside the regular instructional program. However, with reduced or limited revenue and increased expenses, the Board must consider alternative revenue options to support these school-sponsored activities. Therefore, the Board of Education authorizes the establishment of an activity participation fee program as a supplemental revenue source contributing to a percentage of the school district's total costs for operating school-sponsored activities.

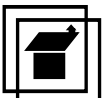
The Activity Participation Fee Program will require each student participating in a school-sponsored athletic or co-curricular activity to pay participation fees. The specific activities and fee amounts will be recommended by the Superintendent of Schools and approved by the Board on an annual basis prior to the commencement of the registration or sign-up process for the activity. From year to year the Board may review the fees and costs of clubs and athletics and will make adjustments to the fees accordingly.

The activity fee may be waived or reduced based on financial hardship at the discretion of the Superintendent.

Activity fees will include an initial Registration Fee, paid annually for each student participating in a school-sponsored athletic or curricular activity. Additionally, within a single school year a club fee will be assessed for each club a student participates in, and an athletics fee will be assessed for each athletic activity a student participates in. These fees will be determined by considering the school district's costs for operating the activity to include, but shall not be limited to: coach/advisor salaries; equipment costs; facility rental fee costs; official/referee costs; event registration fees; school/facility/field preparation and maintenance costs; insurance costs; and other expenses incurred by the district in the operation of the activity.

Registration Fees, Club Fees, and Athletic Fees are to be paid through the online system established by the district. Additional forms of payment may be approved at the discretion of the Office of the School Business Administrator.

These fees must be paid in full at the time of registration, and prior to the student's participation in the activity. If fees are not paid prior to the start date of the activity, the student may not participate in the activity until payment is made. If fees are not paid within ten (10) days of the activity beginning, the student will be removed from the activity roster. Fees must be paid prior to try-outs, auditions, etc. If the student is not accepted into the activity as a result of try-outs, auditions, etc. a refund will be granted.



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A refund of the activity fee will only be made in the event the student is not accepted into the activity due to the lack of available space or opportunity within the activity (i.e. the student does not receive a part in a drama program production, the student is cut from an athletic team, it is determined the student is ineligible for participation in the activity due to any reason prior to participation in the activity etc.). A refund of the activity fee will also be provided in the event the district does not offer the activity subsequent to the registration/sign-up process. A refund will not be provided in the event the student quits during the course of the activity. The Superintendent of Schools shall be authorized to approve an activity fee refund to a student for a reason(s) not listed above in extenuating circumstances.

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