

**A MESSAGE TO STUDENT-ATHLETES**

Participating in your school's interscholastic athletic program will provide some of your most memorable and enjoyable moments. The Clark County School District (CCSD) has standards that must be met in order to be eligible to participate.

The essential eligibility requirements in this brochure are only a summary of some of the regulations affecting student eligibility. For additional information please contact the administration at your student's school.

The eligibility standards for Middle School Athletics have been adopted by member schools.

We encourage you, as a student-athlete, to review these standards carefully since you are responsible for compliance with these standards.

Have a great year!

**SUMMARY OF THE RULES****Transfer Rules:**

- Students who move with their parents to a new school will be eligible at the new school provided all other eligibility requirements are met and proper transfer paperwork is submitted.
- Students who transfer schools without their parents will be ineligible for 180 school days.
- Students whose parents divorce will maintain eligibility with their primary custodial parent. In the case of joint custody, eligibility remains at their current school.
- Students whose parents are separated will retain their eligibility at their current school.
- Students enrolled through Change of School Assignment (COSA) are ineligible for 180 school days.
- Students who have temporary guardians are ineligible.
- Students enrolled through Shared Housing are ineligible for 180 school days.
- Students who transfer from a magnet or COSA enrollment are ineligible for 180 school days.

**Age Limitations:** A student may not participate during any school year in which the student's fifteenth (15th) birthday occurs prior to September 29.

**Residency Rules:** Students are only eligible for interscholastic competition for the school located in the attendance zone in which their parents or legal guardian resides.

- A student living with a legal guardian must be approved through the CCSD Athletic Department.
- Students who attend a charter school **may not** participate in their zoned school if they have the opportunity to participate in the sport at the charter school or if they will replace a CCSD student (CCSD Policy 5119).
- Homeschooled students may participate at their zoned school only. They must provide proof of homeschool enrollment, letter of Intent, letter of participation, and proof of residence to the school, and the District Athletic Office.
- **Falsification of any documents or being dishonest regarding your residency may result in ineligibility for 360 school days (2 years).**

**Academic Requirements:**

- Must be enrolled in at least two (2) units of credit and regularly attending school.
- Students must have successfully completed at least two (2) units of credit the immediate preceding semester.
- Students must obtain an unweighted grade point average of at least 2.0 for the immediate preceding semester.
- Students must maintain a passing grade in all classes during the season in which they are participating.

**All incoming 6th graders are initially academically eligible.**

**CCSD Policy 5119:**

Participation of Homeschooled, Charter-School, and Private-School Students in Clark County School District Programs.

**Physical Examinations:**

- All student must pass a physical examination
- Physical Examinations must be completed on the appropriate CCSD Forms

**Insurance:**

- Student are **required** to have accident and health insurance on their own prior to participation in any sport or school sponsored activity.
- The Clark County School District **does not provide** any type of health or accident insurance for injuries incurred by participants.

**Other:**

- A student must be in attendance for the full day on the day of a game in order to be eligible to play unless prior approval for the absence is granted by the principal.
- Any student referred to the office for school rule violation, referred to law enforcement authorities, or who is arrested for a felony or gross misdemeanor should be denied the privilege of participation in all athletics for a period determined by the principal.
- Students are eligible for six (6) consecutive semesters, starting with their 6th grade status, regardless of participation during eligibility period.

**STUDENT-ATHLETE CONDUCT AND EJECTION/DISQUALIFICATION POLICIES**

You are expected to accept seriously the responsibility and privilege of representing your school and community while participating in interscholastic athletics. As a student-athlete you are expected to:

Treat opponents, coaches and officials with respect.

Display no behavior that could incite fans or other participants in the contest or which is intended to embarrass, ridicule or demean others under any circumstances including on the basis of race, religion, gender or national origin.

Remember that winning isn't everything! Having fun, improving your skills, making friends and doing your best are also important.

CCSD has established a policy for student-athletes ejected or disqualified for unsportsmanlike behavior or flagrant fouls. The decision of a sports official to eject a student-athlete from a contest is a final decision and may not be appealed. If you are ejected or disqualified, you will be ineligible for at least the next scheduled contest.