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# **Floyd County Board of Education Athletic Policy Handbook**

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## **Vision Statement**

The Floyd County Athletic programs will provide equitable opportunities for our students to participate in organized sports at a variety of levels. Our athletic programs will encourage and empower students to develop their leadership, sportsmanship, and interpersonal skills, and foster a positive attitude and healthy lifestyle in a setting that creates a sense of school community.

## **Mission Statement**

The Mission of Floyd County Athletics is to advance the overall vision of Floyd County Schools by providing athletic programs for all students that support the academic, physical, social, and personal development of student-athletes.

## **Administration**

The Superintendent assisted by the District Director of Athletics shall administer the athletic policies and procedures as approved by the Floyd County Board of Education. The District Athletic Director shall be a member of the Title IX committee for each district high school.

The last revision to the Athletic Handbook by the Floyd County Board of Education was on ~~June 22, 2011~~ May 6, 2016.

## **Section I      Philosophy & Coaching Ethics**

### **Philosophy**

The Athletics Program in the Floyd County Public Schools ensures that the local schools have athletics available to all students who wish to participate under the guidelines set forth by the Floyd County Board of Education.

### **Ethics**

Coaches' Code of Ethics (Floyd County Schools/National Federation of State High School Associations)

The function of a coach is to properly educate students through participation in interscholastic competition. The interscholastic program is designed to enhance academic achievement and should never interfere with opportunities for academic success. All children should be treated as though they were the coaches' own, and their welfare shall be the uppermost at all times. In recognition of this, the following guidelines for coaches have been adopted by the National Federation Interscholastic Coaches Association (NFICA) Board of Directors:

1. The coach must be aware that he or she has a tremendous influence, either good or bad, in the education of the student athlete and, thus, shall never place the value of winning above the value of instilling the highest desirable ideals of character.
2. The coach must constantly uphold the honor and dignity of the profession. In all personal contact with the student athlete, officials, athletic directors, school administrators, the state high school athletic association, the media, and the public, the coach shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct.
3. The coach shall take an active role in the prevention of drug, alcohol, and tobacco abuse, and under no circumstances should authorize their use.
4. The coach shall promote the entire interscholastic program of the school and direct his or her program in harmony with the total school program.
5. The coach shall be thoroughly acquainted with the contest rules and is responsible for their interpretation to team members. The spirit and letter of rules should be regarded as mutual agreements. The coach shall not try to seek an advantage by circumvention of the spirit or letter of the rules.
6. Coaches shall actively use their influence to enhance sportsmanship by their spectators, working closely with cheerleaders, pep club sponsors, booster clubs and administrators.
7. Contest officials shall have the respect and support of the coach. The coach shall not indulge in conduct that will incite players or spectators against the officials. Public criticism of officials or players is unethical.
8. Before and after contests, rival coaches should meet and exchange friendly greetings to set the correct tone for the event.
9. A coach shall not exert pressure on faculty members to give student athletes special consideration.
10. It is unethical for coaches to scout opponents by any means other than those adopted by the league and/or state high school athletic association.
11. District coaches and volunteers will adhere at all times to precautions and procedures that relate to heat related illness and injury.

**\* District coaches are expected to adhere to this code at all times as well as Floyd County Schools.**

## Section II Requirements

### Job Description

Athletic Director, Head Coach, Assistant Coach (see addendum)

### Position Requirements (Per BOE Policy 03. 116)

#### **Athletic Director**

- Full time certified employee.
- Member of the school faculty where serving.

#### **Head Coach - High School Level I Sports - Basketball, Football (as determined by the district)**

- Employee of the District. Employment may be either full-time or part-time and either certified or classified.
- Successful completion of KHSAA coaching requirements.
- Nonfaculty/Staff, successful completion of Floyd County Schools Volunteer Training (through the Family Resource/Youth Service Center) is required.
- If not a full time employee, an annual criminal records check shall be required.

#### **Head Coach - High School Level II Sports - All Other Sports**

- Employee of the District. Employment may be either full-time or part-time and either certified or classified.
- Successful completion of KHSAA coaching requirements.
- Nonfaculty/Staff, successful completion of Floyd County Schools Volunteer Training (through the Family Resource/Youth Service Center) is required. If not a full time employee, an annual criminal records check shall be required.

#### **Assistant Coach - High School - All Sports**

- Employee of the District. Employment may be either full-time or part-time and either certified or classified.
- Successful completion of KHSAA coaching requirements including the KHSAA safety course per HB 383.
- Nonfaculty/Staff, successful completion of Floyd County Schools Volunteer Training (through the Family Resource/Youth Service Center) is required.
- If not a full time employee, an annual criminal records check shall be required.
- Successful completion of KHSAA coaching requirements.

#### **Head Coach / Assistant Coach - Middle and Elementary School – All Sports**

- Successful completion of Floyd County Schools coaching seminar. Every two year~~s~~/OR Successful completion of the NFHS coaching principles course. (Lifetime)
- Current CPR/First Aid Certification. Every two years.
- Nonfaculty/Staff, successful completion of Floyd County Schools Volunteer Training (through the Family Resource/Youth Service Center) and the Floyd County coaching class is required.
- Successful completion of the KHSAA safety course as required by HB 383 for high school coaches. Every two years.
- If not a full time employee, an annual criminal records check shall be required.
- KHSAA Rules – online specific sports rules clinic is required annually.

**\*Cheerleading and dance coaches are required by the Floyd County Schools to have the above requirements.**



### **Non-Paid Volunteers**

A person desiring to be a Non-Paid Volunteer helping with any athletic teams in Floyd County Schools shall meet the following requirements.

1. Must have successful completion of yearly crime check under KRS 160.380 at the BOE.
2. Successful completion of Floyd County Schools volunteers training (through the Family Resource/Youth Service Center) every school year.
3. Successful completion of Floyd County Schools coaching seminar (Certification is for **one year**).
4. Must be twenty-one (21) years old.
5. Successful completion of the KHSAA safety course as required by HB 383 for high school coaches.
6. **KHSAA Rules – online specific sports rules clinic is required annually.**

### **Appropriate Dress for Coaches**

Each coach shall represent Floyd County Schools in a professional manner and attire as they coach during practices and (in particular) during competitions.

### **Violations**

Any coach or athletic director who violates any rules that govern student athletics of FCPS shall be subject to discipline that may include but is not limited to, termination.

## **Section III Student Eligibility**

### **Eligibility (Players)**

The eligibility of an athlete shall be determined by the standards set by KHSAA, the FCBE, and/or the local School Based Decision Making (SBDM) Council. Player eligibility sheets shall be completed weekly. Eligibility sheets shall be sent to the district athletic director electronically beginning the first full week of the school year.

In order to participate, all students shall be present **from Bell to Bell** at school on the day of a game and day after the game, unless excused by the principal.

### **Discipline and Suspension**

~~In order to participate, all students shall be present at school on the day of practice or the day of a game and the day after the game, unless excused by the principal.~~

2. Disciplinary action of athletic participants shall be determined according to the infraction of local school rules.
3. An athlete suspended shall remain suspended from the squad until he or she is reinstated.
4. Coaches shall follow the policy of student rights and responsibilities and of local school rules and regulations.

### **Ineligible Players Practicing and Parental Notification of Ineligible Player**

1. Students ruled ineligible by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association and by the Floyd County Public Schools Athletics office **shall not practice** nor participate with their school teams.
2. Students who are ineligible shall not be issued school equipment and shall **not** be on the team's sidelines until eligibility has been restored.
3. Students declared ineligible weekly at the school level because of academics shall not practice with their teams because eligibility status is subject to change weekly when grades of athletes are checked against KHSAA standards.

4. It is the responsibility of the local school administration to notify parents in writing, if and when a student becomes ineligible for athletic participation. Notification shall state the reason(s) the student is ineligible.

### **Practice Sessions/Games**

1. No regular season practice sessions or games are permitted in any Floyd County public school on legal holidays. (i.e., Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, or Martin Luther King Jr. Day) without prior approval from the Principal.
2. If an emergency arises and if a tournament must be concluded on a Sunday or a holiday, permission may be granted by the Superintendent/Designee. In addition regional, state, or national tournaments or competitions that must take place on Sunday due to travel may be permitted: permission shall be requested from the Superintendent/Designee.
3. No player shall be penalized for missing practice during family vacation if he or she has a valid reason and has cleared his or her absence in advance with the coach/principal for the sport involved.
4. ~~Regional, state, or national tournaments or competitions that must take place on Sunday due to travel may be permitted: permission shall be requested from the Superintendent.~~

### **Insurance, Permission, and Physical Examination**

All participants in athletics shall purchase insurance coverage that is acceptable according to Floyd County Schools/KHSAA. Each school shall have on file a copy of a physical examination, a statement indicating parental permission, a receipt indicating parental understanding of Floyd County Athletic eligibility rules and a signed Drug Testing Signature Sheet. Coaches are responsible for gathering all forms and submitting to appropriate personnel. Elementary and middle school students will be required to use the Floyd County School District Consent, Permissions, Physical and Release Form. (Appendix)

### **Out-of-Season Conditioning Program**

1. Students involved in a conditioning program shall have proof of insurance and a signed drug testing consent form and the Floyd County School District Athletic Consent and Physical Form.
2. A conditioning program shall be allowable if no equipment that would aid skill building is present or used. This conditioning program shall be open to all students, male and female. A coach shall be present at all times during a conditioning program.
3. Weight training is not considered organized practice.
4. Out-of-season conditioning programs shall not interfere with an athlete's participation in a regular in-season sport without a release from the coach of the in-season sport. Athletes of an in-season sport shall have an equal opportunity to try out for the next season's sport (e.g., fall sports to winter sports, winter sports to spring sports).

## **Section IV      High School Team Sports**

**All Floyd County High School Athletics will be governed by the policies and procedures as adopted by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association.**

### **Cheerleading/Dance- High School**

- ~~1. The number of cheerleading or dance team members will be determined, prior to tryouts, by the Principal and cheer/dance coach at each school.~~
2. Students trying out must be given all rules /regulations before tryouts begin.



3. If tryouts are conducted, it shall be the responsibility of the team coach to organize and conduct the tryouts. The sponsor/cheer coach shall be responsible for the method or procedure of how team members are selected.
4. Tryouts are to be held after school hours and not during state assessment window.
5. Tryouts must be announced and publicized at least two weeks in advance to all students, including feeder schools, and must be open to both boys and girls. (Schools must have proper documentation on file)
6. Prior to tryouts, the sponsor shall ensure that all students meet FCS eligibility requirements as approved by the district in this document. The Cheerleading and Dance Season ends with the last postseason basketball game unless a squad is participating in a recognized competition. Participation shall be approved by the principal.

## Section V Elementary & Middle School Team Sports

*Situations that are not covered in this Athletic Handbook will be governed by the current school year's Bylaws and Rules of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Handbook.*

### Eligibility

1. Signed parental permission form
2. Physical—Good for one calendar year
3. Proof of insurance
4. Signed drug testing signature sheet
5. Academically eligible
6. A student who turns 15 years of age prior to August 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year shall be ineligible to participate in athletics during that school year.
7. Any student participating in Floyd County Elementary/Middle School Athletics Program (including, but not exclusively, athletics, cheerleaders, dance team members, student managers, etc.) shall maintain a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) in all classes on a weekly basis as well as a cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the end of each nine weeks. A Student can become eligible again by maintaining a 2.0 at the midterm of a nine weeks.
8. The GPA shall be a calculation of any class which assigns letter grades.
9. GPA determination shall be made weekly each Friday. If a student athlete is determined ineligible, then he/she is ineligible for a minimum of one (1) week.
10. GPA determination shall begin with the 1<sup>st</sup> day of practice and continue through the final game of the season.
11. All schools shall produce participation sheets, for all sports, prior to the date of the first game.
12. Participation sheets shall require a check of birth certificates, grade point averages, parental consent, and proof of insurance, athletic physical, and completion of the drug testing consent forms.
13. If after 3 (three) days of enrollment at a Floyd County school a student transfers from that school to another Floyd County Conference school an eligibility determination will be made according to KHSAA bylaw 6 – Transfer Rule by the District Athletic Director. Parents/Guardian shall produce three pieces of evidence if there is a change in residence (electric bill, 911 address, lease, rent receipt, land deed, or another utility bill) when moving to another attendance area in the Floyd County school district. The District Athletic Director shall make a recommendation of eligibility. The parent/guardian may appeal the determination of eligibility to the District Superintendent and shall be governed by BOE policy 09.4281  
(Note: The calendar begins the first day the student participates/practices as a football or girls basketball at the sending school) Students enrolling from a school outside the Floyd County school district shall follow KHSAA bylaw 6 – Transfer Rule.
14. Students that attend a Floyd County Public school where a sport recognized for competition at the middle school level and is not offered at their home school may participate in that sport at the school in their attendance areas as defined by the attendance barriers recognized by the Floyd County Transportation Department and set by the Floyd County Board of Education. Those attendance areas are as follows:
  - a) Students living in the Adams attendance area will be permitted to participate at Adams Middle School.

- b) Students living in the Allen Elementary/Middle School attendance area will be permitted to participate at Allen Elementary/Middle School.
  - c) Students living in the McDowell Elementary, Osborne Elementary, and South Floyd Middle School attendance areas will be permitted to participate at South Floyd Middle School.
  - d) Students living in the May Valley, Duff, and the Allen Central Middle School attendance areas will be allowed to participate at Allen Central Middle School.
  - e) Students living in the Stumbo Elementary/Middle School attendance area will be allowed to participate at Stumbo Elementary/Middle School. For the sport of football these students will be allowed to participate at Betsy Layne Elementary/Middle School.
15. Students living in the Betsy Layne Elementary/Middle School attendance area will be allowed to participate at Betsy Layne Elementary/Middle School. Teams that participate in the Floyd County Middle School and Elementary School Conference shall abide with and adhere to all requirements of the Floyd County Board of Education Athletic Policy Handbook.
  16. Athletes that are ejected from a district recognized athletic event must follow the KHSAA guidelines for ejections. Ejections must be reported to the District Athletic Director by the ejected athlete's principal or designee.
  17. If the student athlete is under penalty as a result of disciplinary or academic reasons that student will remain ineligible for the remaining academic school year in that sport at all schools in the Floyd County School District.
  18. The Floyd County District will enforce KHSAA Bylaw 9 at the middle school level of competition. This will restrict any student that is listed on the Floyd County Participation roster in that sport activity regardless of grade level.

#### *Students enrolled below grade nine (9) playing "up" to the high school level*

For many years, legislation (KRS 156.070(2)) (c) has barred any local Board of Education (including the Kentucky Board of Education and its designee to manage interscholastic athletics, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association) from barring participation at the high school level by 7th and 8th grade students, unless those restrictions involved soccer and football. Students not yet enrolled in grade seven (7) were not directly regulated as far as the allowances for participation, except at the local level.

Students in grades seven (7) and eight (8) will continue to be allowed to compete provided they are not in conflict with any other KHSAA bylaw.

During the middle school Task Force, compelling testimony was given that from a sports medicine and health perspective, the co-mingling of students below grade six (6) and high school students in an athletic environment including locker rooms, travel, etc., is not in the younger student's best interest. Research showed a compelling probability of bullying situations, differences in maturity and physical development, and a pattern of successful positive practices in other states where segregation of the two age groups was best for the students involved. While it was recognized that there is the occasional elite athlete capable of physically competing with high school students, this factor was not compelling when factored against the reasons to stop such play. In addition, it was noted that play at the high school level is expected to be school and education based, not necessarily community based, and the positives gained from a restriction outweighed the negatives.

- Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, students below grade seven (7) will not be permitted to play at any level (freshman, junior varsity or varsity) of high school athletics.
- Students who have participated at the high school level (during any period defined by Bylaw 25) prior to the conclusion of the 2013-2014 school year will be "grandfathered" in to the regulation, and allowed to continue to compete at the high school level provided such participation is not in conflict with any other bylaws.

~~This phase-in will be completed by the start of the 2016-2017 school year at which point no student below grade seven (7) will have a participation opportunity at the high school level.~~  
~~During 2014-2015 and 2015-2016, only those students who have participated on the high school level (freshman, junior varsity or varsity) prior to the conclusion of the 2013-2014 school year will be permitted to continue such participation.~~

Effective with the 2015-2016 school year, policies regarding the participation of repeating students at the levels of play below high school interscholastic athletics shall be implemented pursuant to 702 KAR 7:065 as follows:

Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year and thereafter, require that no student enrolled initially in grade (5) through grade (8) during the 2015-2016 school year or thereafter who is repeating a grade for any reason be eligible to compete in interscholastic competition involving students enrolled in grades six (6) through eight (8) while repeating a grade;

Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, require that a student who turns:

Fifteen (15) years of age prior to August 1 of the current school year shall not be eligible for interscholastic athletics in Kentucky in competition against students exclusively enrolled in grades eight (8) and below;

Fourteen (14) years of age prior to August 1 of the current school year shall not be eligible for interscholastic athletics in Kentucky in competition against students exclusively enrolled in grades seven (7) and below; and

Thirteen (13) years of age prior to August 1 of the current school year shall not be eligible for interscholastic athletics in Kentucky in competition against students exclusively enrolled in grades six (6) and below;

### **Scheduling of Athletic Events**

1. No member of the Floyd County Elementary/Middle School Athletic Conference shall participate in more than three (3) contests per week. This shall not include rescheduled events or tournaments. The athletic week shall begin on Sunday and end on the following Saturday.
2. All schedules for athletic events shall have approval of the school principal.
3. Practice or Games on days school is not in session due to inclement weather shall occur at the discretion of the principal of each school.
4. All Floyd County Tournaments shall be held at the four high school gymnasiums.
5. The Floyd County Tournament shall be hosted by the elementary/middle schools on a rotating basis and in alphabetical order. (See chart on page twelve).
6. The superintendent/**Designee** shall approve any athletic contest scheduled on Sunday.
7. No elementary/ middle school games or matches shall be played during state assessments.
8. No athletic contest shall take place during the instructional day.
9. Decisions regarding the cancellation of games shall be made by the principals of participating schools.

### **Middle School Basketball**

1. Participation in the Floyd County Conference shall consist of each member school playing all other member schools in one (1) home and one (1) away contest. Schools will be allowed two (2) scrimmage games prior to their first season game.
2. The county tournament shall be seeded by wins / losses among during the conference season.
3. Member schools may play a total of twenty-one (21) games and of those twenty-one (21) games four (4) may be tournaments beginning on the starting date for games and before the tournament begins. Example: A team may play 17 regular season games four tournaments----18 regular season games three tournaments----19 games



and two tournaments----20 regular season games and one tournament. Thirty (30) game limits on regular season games.

4. Students in grades 4 (four) through 6 (six) may participate in C - team games. Students in grades 4 (four) through 7 (seven) may participate in B - team games. Students in grades 4 (four) through 8 (eight) may participate in A - team games.
5. Length of games: C - team – 4 (four) minute quarters, B - team – 5 (five) minute quarters, and A - team – 6 (six) minute quarters
6. All game officials shall be registered with KHSAA.
7. The District Athletic Director shall work with the 15<sup>th</sup> Region assigning secretary, athletic directors and coaches of each school to select officials for the county tournament.
8. NFHS running clock rule shall be in effect after a 25 (twenty-five) point differential in score between the teams.
9. Tournament host will provide a winner and runner-up trophy and 15 individual medallions for winner and runner-up team members. Additional medallions will be purchased by providing schools.

### **Elementary Basketball**

1. Schools will play school members in their division one (1) home contest and one (1) away contest. Schools shall play schools outside their division one (1) time.
2. There will be a tournament at the end of the season and will be a drawing for the tournament.
3. Each game will consist of four (4) four (4) minute quarters (A-Team); two (2) twelve (12) minute halves running clock (B-Team).
4. The basketball size shall be the same basketball as required by the NFHS for girl's high school basketball.
5. Each team may play a total of ~~20~~ 20 games during the season. Please note; participation in a tournament will count as one of the ~~20~~ 20 games. Teams may play a maximum of three tournaments.
6. All games officials shall be registered with the KHSAA.
7. The District Athletic Director shall work with the 15<sup>th</sup> Region basketball assigning secretary to assign officials for the county tournament.
8. NFHS running clock rule shall be in effect after a 25 (twenty-five) point differential in score between teams.
9. Free throw line will be 14 (fourteen) feet.
10. Tournament host will provide a winner and runner-up trophy and 15 individual medallions for winner and runner-up team members. Additional medallions will be purchased by providing schools.

### **Middle School and Elementary Volleyball**

1. Participation in the Floyd County Conference shall consist of each member school playing all other member schools in one (1) home and one away contest.
2. There will be a drawing for the K-5 county tournament. Middle school shall be seeded by wins/losses during the conference season. In the event of a forfeit, the district athletic director shall make the determination. Ties will follow the high school's tie breaking plan submitted to KHSAA.
3. Member schools may play twenty-one (21) games and participate in four (4) tournaments beginning on the starting date for games and before the county tournament begins. Example: A - team may play seventeen (17) regular season games and four (4) tournaments, eighteen (18) regular season games and three (3) tournaments, nineteen(19) regular season games and two (2) tournaments or twenty (20) regular season games and one (1) tournament.
4. Students in grades 4 (four) through grade 6 (six) may participate in C - team games. Students in grades four (4) through grade 7 (seven) may participate in B - team games. Students in grades 4 (four) through grade 8 (eight) may participate in A - team games.
5. Both teams shall receive equal warm-up time prior to the start of a match.
6. Game Scoring: Elementary School  
A Team and B Team shall be the best two of three games. The first two sets to 18 win by two points or first team to 25. If a third set is needed to 15 win by two or first team to 20.

### Game Scoring: Middle School

A Team matches shall be the best two of three games. The first two sets to 21 win by two points. If a third set is needed to 15 win by two. B Team matches shall be the best two of three games. The first two sets to 18 win by two points. If a third set is needed to 15 win by two. C Team matches shall be the best two of three games. The first two sets to 18 win by two points. If a third set is needed to 15 win by two.

7. There shall be an **A Team** county tournament for K-5 and an A, B and C team **county** tournament for middle school.
8. The District Athletic Director shall work with the 15th Region assigning secretary and the athletic directors and coaches of each school to select officials for the county tournament.
9. K-5 base/serving shall be 29' (feet) from center line (1 foot inside baseline). **A youth volleyball (7.5 – 8 oz.) for students under 12 will be used.**

### Middle School Football

1. Ten (10) regular season game limit with a maximum of two (2) pre-season scrimmages. Seasons for teams competing in a recognized conference shall be extended until the play-off for that conference is completed for that participating team.
2. Participation in the Floyd County Conference shall consist of each member school playing all other member schools in one (1) contest.
3. Refer to the Age/Grade chart for restriction for student participation in football. Player will be allowed to play up 1 (one) level higher in competition. Such action shall require the approval of the coach and the school principal along with written permission from the parent/guardian of the player. No player shall any be allowed to move **down** a level of competition.
4. Length of quarters. A - Team games shall consist of four (4) eight (8) minute quarters. B - Team games shall consist of four (4) six (6) minute quarters. C - Team games shall consist of four (4) four (4) minute quarters. All games shall have a ten (10) minute half-time period. The game clock shall be stopped and started according to the National Federation of State High School Association Football Rule book-Rule 3- section 4- articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.
5. **C - Team games shall be played on Saturdays. The games will be rotated among the district schools that participate in football. The games shall begin at 9:00 AM. C - Team games may be played during the week against out-of-district teams. C - Team games on Saturday will consist of 4 (four) 6 (six) minute quarters with a 10 (ten) minute half-time period. C - Team games on Saturday will consist of 4 (four) 6 (six) minute quarters with a 10 (ten) minute half-time period. ~~E - Team football season will end on October 1.~~**
6. There shall be a conference champion and an All-Floyd County Conference team for the A - Team football team. The school hosting the middle school tournaments will purchase the award.
7. Helmets will be KHSAA compliant.

### Middle School Baseball / Softball

1. Practice may begin on February 15. The first season game may be played on March 15th. Schools may play 21 games during the season. This includes regular season games and tournaments.
2. Season will end on the Saturday before the last day of school.
3. The National Federation of High State School Association rules book shall govern the game, players, and equipment used.
4. Helmets will be KHSAA compliant.

### Middle School Cheerleading / Dance Team

**~~The number of cheerleading or dance team members will be determined, prior to tryouts, by the Principal and cheer/dance coach at each school.~~**

2. Students trying out must be given all rules /regulations before tryouts begin.
3. If tryouts are conducted, it shall be the responsibility of the team coach to organize and conduct the tryouts. The sponsor/cheer coach shall be responsible for the method or procedure of how team members are selected.
4. Tryouts are to be held after school hours and not during state assessments window.
5. Tryouts must be announced and publicized at least two weeks in advance to all students, including feeder schools, and must be open to both boys and girls.
6. Prior to tryouts, the sponsor shall ensure that all students meet FCS eligibility requirements as approved by the district in this document. The Cheerleading and Dance Season ends with the last postseason basketball game unless a squad is participating in a recognized competition. Participation shall be approved by the principal.

### **Middle School / Elementary Archery**

1. Practice will begin on October 15.
2. There will be no limits on competitions.
3. Coaches will be required to adhere to Floyd County Schools coaching requirements needed to coach.
4. Archery coaches will be required to have Basic Archery Instructor (BAI) training through the Region Coordinator for Archery in the Schools Program.
5. Students must have all required documentation to participate.
6. There will be no limits of team members.
7. Season will end with the national completion or after district completion if no team or team member advances to the national competition.

### **Middle School Soccer**

1. Practice may begin on February 15. The first season game may be played on March 15. Schools may play 15 games during the season. This includes regular season games and a maximum of 3 tournaments.
2. Two scrimmage games may be played prior to the beginning of the season (March 15).
3. Season will end on the Saturday before the last day of school. No games will be played on school nights during state testing.
4. Games will be 2 – 30 minutes halves with a 10 minute half time.
5. Students must have all required documentation to participate.
6. The National Federation of High School Association rules book will govern games, players, and equipment.



## Section VI      General

### Pep Rallies

Pep rallies be at the discretion of the school principal and will be in compliance with Title IX.

### Signs and Noisemakers at Athletic Events

1. Only signs that display the school's name, colors, nickname or mascot are permitted at athletic events.
2. All artificial noisemakers such as bells and whistles (need to match KHSAA regulations) are banned from athletic events.

### Guidelines for the Use of a Consultant (All Schools)

1. A consultant is a private individual not employed directly by the Floyd County Board of Education who works for any length of time with a squad/team. A consultant working with students in any Floyd County School facility shall successfully complete the volunteer training program and crime check.
2. The coach shall be in attendance whenever the consultant is working with the squad/team.
3. Individual squad members may attend a studio or gym but those arrangements are strictly between the member's parent/guardians and the business owner.
4. No squad member shall be penalized in any way for not attending a studio/gym.

### **Ticket Prices for Regular Season Home Games**

Admission prices to athletic events sponsored by any Floyd County School. Tickets to athletic contests for which admission is charged shall be sold until the end of half-time of the varsity contest.

#### **High School**

- |           |        |   |           |
|-----------|--------|---|-----------|
| • Adult   | \$5.00 | Seniors (minimum age 55 years)              | \$3.00    |
| • Student | \$3.00 | Children (under age 6 accompanied by adult) | No Charge |

#### **Middle/Elementary**

- |           |        |   |           |
|-----------|--------|---|-----------|
| • Adult   | \$3.00 | Seniors (minimum age 55 years)              | \$2.00    |
| • Student | \$2.00 | Children (under age 6 accompanied by adult) | No Charge |

#### **Elementary/Middle Tournaments**

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|-----------|--------|
| • Adult   | \$5.00 |
| • Student | \$3.00 |

All tickets will be sold at gate unless otherwise posted at the school.

### Invitational Tournaments/Post Season Tournaments

Invitational tournaments, bowl games, and Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) post season tournament ticket prices are subject to change at the discretion of the school principal.

Corresponding Grade/Age Chart for Middle/Elementary School Football. The age correlates with KHSAA Bylaw 3 - Age.

<b>A - Team Football</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	15 years old after August 1st
	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	14 years old after August 1st
<b>B – Team Football</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	13 years old after August 1st
	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 years old after August 1st
<b>C – Team Football</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 years old after August 1st
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	10 years old after August 1st

- Students may play up 1 (one) level with waiver documentation
- Age is current with school year enrolled

Grade and age chart for Non-football athletic activities. The age correlates with KHSAA Bylaw 3 - Age.

8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	15 years old after August 1st
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	14 years old after August 1st
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	13 years old after August 1st
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 years old after August 1st
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 years old after August 1st
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	10 years old after August 1st
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	9 years old after August 1st
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	8 years old after August 1st
Kindergarten	7 years old after August 1st

- Age is current with school year enrolled

**FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOLS**  
**Athletic Conference Timeline**

<b>SPORT</b>	<b>Season Starting Date (Practice)</b>	<b>Season Starting Date (Play)</b>	<b>Season End Date</b>	<b>County Tournament</b>	<b># of Games</b>
<b>Girls Basketball (MS)</b>	July 13	August 13	Saturday before Tournament	Last Monday October	21
<b>Football</b>	July 13	August 13	Oct. 29		10
<b>Boys Basketball (MS)</b>	First Monday October	First Monday November	Saturday Before Tournament	First Monday February	21
<b>Volleyball (MS)</b>	February 1	March 1	Saturday Before Tournament	Monday Week before testing window	21
<b>K-5 Volleyball</b>	February 1	February 15	Second Friday in April	Following Monday after season ends	16
<b>Baseball Softball</b>	February 15	March 15	Saturday before last day of school	None	21
<b>K-5 Basketball</b>	September 27	October 18	Third week Of December	Third Week Of December	20
<b>Soccer (MS)</b>	February 15	March 15	Saturday before last day of school	None	15

**Floyd County Tournament Rotation**

<b>Middle School</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>K-5</b>
Allen Middle School	2009-2010	Prestonsburg Elementary
Betsy Layne Middle School	2010-2011	May Valley Elementary
South Floyd Middle School	2011-2012	Duff Elementary
Stumbo Middle School	2012-2013	McDowell Elementary
Adams Middle School	2013-2014	Osborne Elementary
Allen Central Middle School	2014-2015	Prestonsburg Elementary
Allen Middle School	2015-2016	May Valley Elementary
Betsy Layne Middle School	2016-2017	Duff Elementary
South Floyd Middle School	2017-2018	McDowell Elementary

***Elementary School  
Official Fee Prices  
Effective 2015***

**Football**

**C Team      \$20.00**

**Basketball**

**A Team      \$20.00      B Team      \$20.00      C Team \$20.00**

**Volleyball**

**A Team      \$20.00      B Team      \$20.00**

***Middle School  
Official Fee Prices  
Effective 2015***

**Football**

**A Team      \$50.00      B Team      \$35.00      C Team      \$20.00**

**Basketball**

**A Team      \$35.00      B Team      \$25.00      C Team      \$20.00**

**Volleyball**

**A Team      \$30.00      B Team      \$25.00      C Team      \$10.00**

**Baseball**

**Seven innings \$50      Five innings or less \$40**

**Soccer**

**Varsity      \$40      JV      \$30**

**Section VII      Addendum**

## **FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOLS**

**TITLE:** **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

**QUALIFICATIONS:** As required by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, SBDM Council, and the Floyd County Board of Education.

**REPORTS TO:** Principal

**JOB GOAL:** To oversee organization of all athletic programs at the school and to provide leadership, resources, and educational knowledge and skills to the students participating in athletic programs.

**TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:** Salary and terms of employment to be arranged with the Board.

**EVALUATION:** Performance of this job will be evaluated in accordance with provisions of the Floyd County School System's plan for evaluating co-curricular personnel.

### **PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Provides leadership for instilling sportsmanship and fair play
2. Monitors athlete attendance/behavior/academic status (specifically student grades)
3. Schedules games in consultation with head coach
4. Develops and monitors athletic program budgets in conjunction with head coach
5. Ensures school compliance with all KHSAA bylaws and local board policies
6. Assists coaches in ordering needed equipment and uniforms and maintenance of equipment and uniforms
7. Prepares contracts for games in accordance with KHSAA regulations
8. Prepare tickets, gate receipt boxes and audit forms for all revenue producing contests
9. Ensures officials are paid before athletic contests begin
10. Serves as a resource to the principal, school coaches and the school council in developing and implementing team rules and guidelines
11. Assumes responsibility for arranging team transportation and ensures that the district policy regarding student transportation is followed
12. Monitors coaches during practice and events to ensure that all coaches display appropriate and professional conduct
13. Attends required athletic meetings (district, regional, and state)

**I hereby acknowledge I have received and reviewed a copy of my job description.**

**Employee Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOLS**

**TITLE:** **HEAD ATHLETIC COACH - Middle/High Levels**

**QUALIFICATIONS:** As required by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association and/or the Floyd County Board of Education.

**REPORTS TO:** Principal

**JOB GOAL:** To provide leadership, resources, and educational knowledge and skills to the students participating in athletic programs.

**TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:** Salary set by the Floyd County Board of Education. Employment is for one year only and requires principal recommendation each year. In the case of a coaching vacancy consultation with the school-based council must occur.

**EVALUATION:** Performance of this job will be evaluated annually in accordance with provisions of the Floyd County Board of Education Evaluation Plan.

### **PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Complies with all KHSAA bylaws and/or policies of the Floyd County Board of Education
2. Provides data as required for Title IX compliance reporting and other district reports as needed
3. Develops team program budget
4. Make travel arrangements and appropriate bus requests
5. Ensures completion of health exam by athletes
6. Monitors athlete attendance/behavior/academic status
7. Maintains first-aid/CPR certification
8. Completes appropriate accident reports immediately following accidents/injuries to student/athletes
9. Ensures athlete is cleared by M.D. in order to return to practice
10. Completes required administrative reports by designated date(s)
11. Instructs team members concerning changes in rules
12. Teaches fundamentals of the sport as outlined by the head coach of that sport
13. Strives to improve skills by attending clinics and using resources made available
14. Supervising players before and after practice
15. Works to instills sportsmanship and fair play
16. Works with principal and athletic director on ordering needed equipment and uniforms and maintenance of equipment and uniforms
17. Conducts practice sessions to develop the individual and team skills to assist the students in performing at their maximum potential
18. Assumes leadership role in developing team rules and guidelines

**I hereby acknowledge I have received and reviewed a copy of my job description.**

**Employee Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



## **FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOLS**

**TITLE:** ASSISTANT ATHLETIC COACH - ALL LEVELS

**QUALIFICATIONS:** As required by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association and/or the Floyd County Board of Education.

**REPORTS TO:** Principal

**JOB GOAL:** To provide leadership, resources, and educational knowledge and skills to the students participating in athletic programs.

**TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:** Salary set by the Floyd County Board of Education. Employment is for one year only and requires principal recommendation each year. In the case of a coaching vacancy consultation with the school-based council must occur.

**EVALUATION:** Performance of this job will be evaluated annually in accordance with provisions of the Floyd County Board of Education Evaluation Plan.

### **PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Assists the Head Coach in all administrative duties as determined by the Head Coach
2. Complies with all KHSAA bylaws and policies of the Floyd County Board of Education
3. Understands the proper administrative line of command and refers all student and parents
4. Instructs team members concerning changes in rules
5. Teaches fundamentals of the sport as outlined by the head coach of that sport
6. Strives to improve skills by attending clinics and using resources made available by the head coach
7. Assists in supervising players before and after practice
8. Assists with development of team program budget
9. Works to instill sportsmanship and fair play.
10. Works with principal and athletic director on ordering needed equipment and uniforms and maintenance of equipment and uniforms
11. Conducts practice sessions to develop the individual and team skills to assist the students in performing at their maximum potential
12. Works with athletic director and principal in developing team rules and guidelines.

**I hereby acknowledge I have received and reviewed a copy of my job description.**

**Employee Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_