# 10-02 EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES Page 1 of 3

**POLICY TYPE** 

- \_\_\_By-Laws (Council Operational Policy)
- X\_Function (School Operation Policy
- 1. Purpose
  - 1.1. To provide guidelines for eligibility to participate in all Trigg County Middle School extracurricular activities.
    - 1.1.1. Extracurricular activities shall include, but not be limited to the following:
      - 1.1.1.1. All school sanctioned sporting events and teams
  - 1.2. Extracurricular activities provide students with the opportunity to develop skills that are not readily taught in the class room and may benefit students in the following areas: learning time management, interpersonal skills development, and raising self-esteem. Although these skills are beneficial to all students, it is important to understand that extracurricular activities are meant to augment, and not replace, core curriculum requirements.
  - 1.3. The goal of this policy is to reinforce and supplement student achievement in the classroom.
- 2. Standards for Eligibility
  - 2.1. Academic
    - 2.1.1. Students shall be required to be in good academic standing
      - 2.1.1.1. Students shall maintain passing cumulative grades in all individual classes.
        - 2.1.1.1. A letter grade of "F" in any class or in a standards based reporting class is disqualifying.
        - 2.1.1.1.2. Weekly eligibility standards shall be checked on Friday or the last day of classes preceding that Friday and applied to the following week (Monday through Sunday)

- 2.1.1.1.3. Special tests or recitations shall not be given for the purpose of making a student eligible.
- 2.1.1.1.4. Students with a letter grade of "F" in a standards based reporting class may still be considered eligible if they maintain a 2 in work ethic under Habits of Success.
- 2.1.1.2. Students shall be on grade level and not repeating a previous academic term.

## 2.2. Physical Health

- 2.2.1. Students shall be required to have a current KHSAA physical examination on file prior to participating in sanctioned events or tryouts in accordance with KRS 156.070(2)(d)
- 2.2.2. In the event of an injury, students shall be required to have medical clearance to return to participation in accordance with KHSAA standards.

#### 2.3. Attendance

- 2.3.1 Students are expected to attend a minimum of one half day of school to participate.
- 2.3.2. Extenuating circumstances for emergency absences (such as a funeral) may be considered by the Principal or Principal's designee to allow participation

#### 2.4. Behavior

- 2.4.1. Students participating in extracurricular activities are held accountable for their behavior in accordance with the Code of Conduct at all "after hours" school sanctioned events.
- 2.4.2. A student shall not participate in extracurricular activities if under penalty or discipline during the course of the school day.
- 2.4.3. Criminal offense, such as possession of illegal substances, shall result in loss of eligibility for all extracurricular activities for the entire school year.

### 2.5. Parental Consent

2.5.1. Parental consent shall be required for all students to participate in extracurricular activities: KHSAA BL-5

## 2.6. Students below grade six

- 2.6.1. Shall be determined on a case by case basis 2.6.1.1. Eligibility determination shall be made by the intermediate and middle school principals in joint consultation
- 2.6.2. Shall not participate in Middle School contact sports such as soccer and football
- 2.6.3. Primary school students may not participate in Middle School sports.

#### 2.7. Miscellaneous

- 2.7.1. All middle school students shall not participate in varsity football or soccer: KHSAA BL-4-3
- 2.7.2. Beginning 2014-2015, a student enrolled below grade 7 may not participate in any varsity sports: KHSAA BL-4-3

# 3. Policy Implementation

## 3.1. Authority

3.1.1. The Principal or Principal's designee shall be the final authority on decisions regarding eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities.

# 4. Transportation

- 4.1. Students are expected to ride with teammates and coaches to and from off campus events.
- 4.2. Students may ride home from athletic events with a parent or guardian.
- 4.3. Students may ride home from athletic events with other individuals provided written permission from a parent or guardian is obtained and authorization from the Principal, Coach and/or Athletic Director is given.
- 4.4 Parents transporting students other than their children, must comply with Trigg County Board of Education Policy 09.36

#### References:

KHSAA Bylaw 4

KHSAA Bylaw 5

KHSAA Bylaw 12

KHSAA Bylaw 14

KRS 156.070(2)(9)
Trigg County Board of Education Policy 09.36
Revision 12/07/2015
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