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Pasco County Schools Athletic Information for Students and Parents

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY: In order to participate in high school interscholastic athletics, a student must currently have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 un-weighted scale. The athletic director and/or coach will verify all grades within a five- day period subsequent to team tryouts and monitor grades thereafter. Failure to have and maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade point average will result in immediate dismissal from any interscholastic athletic team. Middle school students must have a 2.0 grade point average for the previous semester in order to be eligible.

TRANSFER POLICY: A high school student who has been enrolled in a different high school prior to their district high school assignment and wishes to participate in athletics will be defined as a student-athlete transfer. This includes, but is not limited to, students who were previously enrolled in public schools, private schools, charter schools, home schools, magnet schools and alternative schools. Student-athletes changing schools during the summer are also deemed to be student-athlete transfers.

A high school student-athlete transfer shall not participate in athletics for one (1) full calendar year from the date of enrollment at the new school. Student-athlete transfers may appeal if they are prohibited from participating due to the transfer definitions established above. The Athletic Transfer Participation Committee (ATPC) is provided for students to appeal their non-participation status. Appeal forms are available on the school and district website or through your school athletic office and/or registrar's office.

For more information on the policy and/or procedures, visit your school or district website or contact your school athletic director. The policy can be located at the following web address:

<http://www.neola.com/pasco-fl/search/policies/po2431.01.htm>

ATHLETIC FEES: There are no try-out fees. Once a student is selected for a team a fee will be due: \$60.00 for high school students; \$45.00 for middle school students. The fee for the second sport is \$40.00 for high schools; \$30.00 for middle schools. The total family fee (for the same school) is \$160.00 for high schools; \$120.00 for middle schools. The individual cap for high schools is \$100.00. The individual cap for middle schools is \$75.00. A student will not be allowed to dress out, participate in a game or be considered part of the team until the full fee is paid.

STUDENT STATEMENT: As a student athlete, I agree to maintain athletic eligibility, comply with training rules, and conduct myself so as to bring pride to my school, my team, and my family. I understand I, as well as my parent(s)/guardian(s), are responsible for any uniforms, equipment, and / or supplies issued to me while participating in interscholastic athletics. I agree to repair or replace any damaged item and replace any lost item.

I understand suspension from school, in or out, will result in suspension from practices or games during the time of the suspension.

PAYMENT OF FHSAA FEES: As a student athlete I am representing my school and my school district. I am responsible for my conduct in the athletic program. I will follow guidelines and rules outlined in the District School Board of Pasco County's Code of Student Conduct and the FHSAA Handbook. In the event of an ejection or disqualification while participating in athletics my parent(s)/guardian(s) and I agree to pay the FHSAA fines, which are assessed by the FHSAA (Example: \$250.00 gross unsportsmanlike conduct).

My parent(s)/guardian(s) and I understand I won't be able to participate in any athletic contests until all fees have been paid to my school and I am subject to additional disciplinary action by any school administration depending on the severity of my actions.

Print Student Name

Student Number

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date