INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

The athletic program in the School District is recognized as a vital part of the total educational program. The Board feels an athletic program, properly operated, provides experience in daily human relations that cannot be found in any other educational contact.

The athletic program shall be designed to give many students an opportunity to develop their interests, attitudes and skills for future years without impeding their academic development. Sports competition should provide a healthful, enjoyable experience whereby the emotional, mental, social and physical development of young men and women can be fully achieved. Sportsmanship should always be of prime importance.

The board encourages the full participation of elementary and middle school students in extracurricular and recreational programs and activities. For purposes of board policy, "full participation" means fair and equal participation to the extent that the budget, facilities or type of activity allows.

At the middle school level, it is the philosophy of the district that every athlete regardless of ability be given the opportunity to develop basic skills and participate in every game. Middle school student athletes must comply with all rules and regulations established by the board approved Athletic Handbook.

At the high school level, participation in athletic programs and contests shall be determined by the coaching staff in accordance with the athletic program purposes and standards. Student athletes must comply with all rules and regulations established by the WIAA and established board rules and the board approved Athletic Handbook.

The District shall not discriminate in student participation in athletic programs or activities, standards and rules of behavior, disciplinary actions or facilities usage on the basis of sex, race, national origin, color, religion, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap. This policy does not, however, prohibit the district from placing a student in a program or activity based on objective standards of individual performance, providing separate programs in interscholastic athletics for males and females if such programs are comparable in type, scope and support from the District, or from providing separate toilet, locker and shower facilities. Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
120.12(23)
120.13(1)(a)
PI 9.03(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: 352, Field Trips
375, Student Contests
411-Rule, Student Discrimination Complaint Procedures
453, Emergency Nursing Services
662.1, Student Activity Funds
751.3, Extracurricular Transportation
School Activity/Athletic Code

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