

PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING CLUB SPORT APPROVAL

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In order to be recognized as a school approved club sport the following procedure must be followed:

- I. Meeting with Athletic Board of Control and explain how the program plans on meeting the following guidelines:
 - A. How the organization plans on monitoring the athlete's behavior, grades, sportsmanship, etc.
 - B. What positive outcomes might occur in the program through being recognized as a letter sport.
 - C. The club sport's intention on being an active member of the Athletic Board of Control.
 - D. How the club sport coaching staff plans to enforce the policies of the Athletic Handbook.
 - E. The club sport's criteria for earning a letter.

Based on the club sport meeting the above criteria, the Athletic Board of Control will present a recommendation to the School Board.

The Board of Education will make the final decision on all requests.

REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL APPROVED CLUB SPORTS

- I. Participation in a school sponsored athletic program and a club athletic program in the same athletic season may occur under the following conditions.
 1. The Athletic Director conducts a conference with the student athlete, his/her parent/guardian, and the coaches for the programs involved.
 2. A contract is developed indicating the expectations of each program, how conflicts in participation and practice schedules will be resolved, criteria for lettering and receiving team/school awards, and any other details specific to the requested dual participation.
 3. The Athletic Director conducts at least a mid-season and end-of-season conference with the coaches and student. The purpose of the conferences is to promote the safety and wellbeing of the student athlete, to ensure the contract is being followed, determine if the contract needs to be modified, and/or discontinue dual participation.
 - ❖ This procedure is not extended to dual participation from one school sponsored athletic program to another.
- II. Coaches will need to submit to the athletic office a copy of their competitive schedule, practice schedule, and a list of participants.
- III. At the end of the season the coaches will have to turn in to the athletic office a list of students who have met their lettering standards and will be receiving a PHS varsity letter.

Along with this, each club sport coach will submit a copy of practice attendance to verify that these students have been present at all practices (unless excused by the coach) and have taken part in enough competitions. Non-resident and home-schooled participants are eligible to receive a letter as long as the letter given is different from PHS letter awarded to full-time, resident students.

- IV. Students who participate in club sports and earn a letter will be allowed to join the Letterclub, purchase a PHS letter jacket; as well as the letters, letter bars, etc.
- V. Club sports are recognized as a way to satisfy Athletic Code violations.
- VI. Club sport athletes must have a WIAA physical examination to be eligible to practice and compete in club sport activities.
- VII. Club sport participants are covered by the School District's accident insurance.
- VIII. The Athletic Board of Control will evaluate club sports when questionable situations occur to determine whether the club sport has upheld the philosophy of the School Athletic Program. If the club sport does not measure up to the school's policies, the Athletic Board has the right to submit in writing a request to the Board of Education that the club sport no longer be recognized by the School District.
- IX. Students participating in school-approved club sports must be driven to and from competitions by a person 21 years of age or older.
- X. Club sports differ from school sponsored sports in that:
 - A. Coaches do not receive a District salary.
 - B. The School District does not provide equipment or supplies.
 - C. District transportation is not provided.
 - D. The District is not responsible for scheduling games or officials.

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