

INSTRUCTION

Interscholastic Activities

The Board recognizes the value of a program of interscholastic activities as an integral part of the total school experience to all students of the District and to the community.

Mission

The Central Kitsap School District Athletic Programs are committed to the development of student athletes to the highest standards of character, commitment, and competition. All programs within the district strive to provide experiences that grow the abilities of students, families, and coaches.

Philosophy Statement

The Central Kitsap School District believes participating in athletics is an extension of the total school experience. A student athlete should be inspired to excel in academics, citizenship, athletic skill development, and sportsmanship. Demonstrating positive character qualities such as responsibility, respect, teamwork, trustworthiness, and leadership is essential. We believe that a connected and engaged student has an increased chance of success by having positive experiences and equitable access to extra-curricular activities such as athletics. A student athlete recognizes that becoming a part of the athletic program is a privilege, and should fully appreciate that he or she has taken on specific obligations and responsibilities.

In order to achieve the widest and most positive impact, the Central Kitsap School District athletic programs engage coaches who respect all levels of athleticism, strive to develop athletes to the best of their abilities, and understand their responsibility of being positive role models. Our philosophy also embraces positive partnerships with parents and guardians as important partners in developing the holistic athlete. Coaches, along with parents and guardians will support and respect their athletes, the officials, and the school in a positive manner.

The program of interscholastic activities shall include all activities relating to competitive sport contests, games or events, or exhibitions involving individual students or teams of students of this District when such events occur between separate schools within this District or with any schools outside this District.

The Board expects that:

- A. All interscholastic activities and events will be in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA). The schools of the District will not participate in any out-of-season athletics that are not sanctioned by the WIAA. The District will not be responsible or liable for non-school sponsored programs or for programs that are organized, promoted or participated in by staff members without school approval. The District will not be responsible for or control and incur liability for summer and/or out-of-season activities unless specifically sponsored by the School District.
- B. Each student participating in interscholastic athletic activities is required to have or obtain medical insurance for expenses incurred as a result of injuries sustained while participating in the extracurricular activity. Students will provide evidence of coverage with a minimum limit of \$20,000.00 in medical expenses or will obtain such coverage through the voluntary student insurance plan offered to all students in the District. For low income students who qualify as low-income status, the District will make reasonable effort to assist in procurement of insurance.

The superintendent/designee will annually prepare, approve, and present to the Board for its consideration a program of interscholastic activities for the school year. The superintendent/designee will prepare rules for the conduct of student athletes as outlined in the District's Athletic Code. Notice of rules and disciplinary actions related to rule violations will be distributed annually to each participant and his/her parents/guardians for signature prior to the beginning of an interscholastic athletic season.

Cross References:

3210	Nondiscrimination
3413	Student Immunization and Life-Threatening Health Conditions
3414	Infectious Diseases
3416P	Medication at School
3418	Emergency Treatment
4260	Use of School Facilities
6510	Safety
6512	Infection Control Program

WIAA Handbook

Legal References:

RCW 28A.400.350	Medical, dental, vision, liability, life, accident, disability, and salary insurance authorized—Expiration of authority for basic and optional benefits -Health savings accounts—Premiums—Noncompliance
RCW 28A.600.200	Interschool athletic and other extracurricular activities for students—Authority to regulate and impose penalties—Delegation of authority—Conditions
RCW 69.41.330	Public Warnings—School districts
RCW 69.41.340	Student athletes—Violations—Penalty
WAC 392-190-025	Recreational and athletic activities

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