

GUIDELINES FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL PARTICIPATION IN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

In limited circumstances, middle school students will be allowed to try out for, and compete in, high school athletic programs. Middle School students will be eligible to try out for high school athletic sports if the following conditions are present:

1. The student must be in 7th or 8th grade.
2. The student must be achieving appropriate academic progress, adhering to school rules, and have regular attendance.
3. The student must be physically and emotionally capable of handling high school competition. Permission must be obtained from the parents, coach, activities director, and middle school and high school principal. The permission form will include a statement of potential issues relative to middle school student participation at the high school level.
4. No students in grades 9 – 12 may be cut in order to provide an opportunity for middle school participation.
5. Responsibility for integrating the student into the team should be shared between the coaches, activities director, student and parents. The number of eligible middle school students who participate on high school athletic teams will be determined by tryouts and coaches decision.
6. **No middle school student shall get out of school early for practice.** *The only time a student is to get out of school early is in the case of a game or competition.*

CONSENT FORM

I understand and accept the "Guidelines" as stated above.

Student Name (Printed) _____ Grade _____

School (Currently Attending): Chippewa Middle School Highview Middle School Other
If "Other" a meeting with the Activities Director is required before you continue.

School that you will attend for 9th grade: _____

I currently live in the attendance area for: Mounds View High School Irondale High School
Other, if checked a meeting with the Activities Director is required.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

HS Coach Signature _____ Date _____

HS Athletic Director _____ Date _____

MS Principal _____ Date _____

HS Principal _____ Date _____

A completed copy of this contract must be delivered to the last three persons before any transfer is allowed.

- **Early release from school is limited to days in which they are participating in a game or competition. No middle school student shall get out of school early for practice.**
- **It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to provide the middle school office with a note excusing their child to participate in a game or competition.**
- **Middle school athletes/parents are responsible for arranging their own transportation to Mounds View. Carpooling is not provided by Mounds View High School.**