

## **Participation Fees**

1. Definition: All high school/middle school athletic and nonathletic activities are subject to a participation fee.
2. Notification: Information concerning the participation fee is in the student handbook.
3. Fee Structure: The participation fee structure for students is as follows:
  - a. High School participation fees (required for all students participating in a sport or activity).
    - (1) Sports fee \$40.00
    - (2) Activity fee \$10.00
  - b. Middle School may impose a \$20 athletic/activity fee per student per year.

EPHS ID Card with ASB Sticker \$10: All ID cards come with an Activity Sticker which grants students free admission to home games (with the exception of OSAA playoff games, endowment games) and reduced admission to school dances (with the exception of Homecoming, MORP and PROM and a few specialty dances).
  - c. One time annual fee per student.
  - d. A student may upgrade to a higher option at any time.
  - e. The administration has right to waive based on individual student circumstances (e.g., application, process).
  - f. Students may not participate without the appropriate activity sticker (e.g., timeframe).
4. Payment: Fall payments are due on or before the first Monday of October. This will allow Nutrition Services time to process all applications for free and reduced price meals program, and provide time for collection. For winter and spring athletes, payment should be received no later than one week before the Oregon School Activities Association's date for the first contests. Any student who has not paid or not had the fee waived by the first contest can no longer practice or play in a contest. If a student turns out after this date, he/she must pay the fee before being allowed to practice or play in a contest. Student activities fees must be paid within two weeks from the start of the activity. Receipts will be issued for all funds received (three copies: 1. Student; 2. Bookkeeper; 3. Athletic Director).
5. Waivers: Fee Waiver Request forms will be available in the school office. Waivers will be processed and directed by the building principal. The following students are eligible for a fee waiver after they receive the proper approvals.

- a. Students who qualify under the National School Lunch Act for the free or reduced price meals program. An approved application must be on file.
  - b. Wards of a juvenile court or Oregon Department of Human Services, Community Human Services, unless funds for payment are in the agency's budget.
  - c. Other extenuating circumstances as identified by the principal.
6. Refunds: Nonathletic activity fees are nonrefundable. Athletic activity fees refund requests will be considered only up to the mid-season date. Refunds will only be made under extenuating circumstances at the request of the building athletic director. Students who are "cut" by coaches to get a team to an appropriate number are entitled to a full refund.

Refunds will not be given in the following cases:

- a. Student "quit" the sport;
  - b. Student was removed from the sport because of ineligibility, i.e., failure to maintain appropriate grades or violation of training rules.
7. Fund Transfer: Participation fee funds will be temporarily maintained in the individual school's student body account. Following procedures used for submitting other athletic receipts, the funds are to be turned into the district's finance department by the last school date of the on months of October, January, April and June. Note on check "for participation fee."