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SUBJECT: **INITIAL READING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 2431, *INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS***

COMMITTEE: **PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: **SAFE, HEALTHY & SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS**

Consistent with the Board's responsibility to review and amend policies to conform to legislative changes, authorization is requested for the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings to amend School Board Policy 2431, *Interscholastic Activities and Athletics*, in response to 2026 Florida Senate Bills 178 and 538 (S.B. 178 and S.B. 538).

Policy 2431 is proposed for amendment largely based on S.B. 538, which removes several existing statutory limitations on non-public students participating in the District's interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activities. Pursuant to S.B. 538, the policy would now refer generally to "eligible students," defined as "a home education student, charter school student, private school student, Florida Virtual School student, alternative school student, or traditional public school student who wishes to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity." Other definitions of statutory terms—such as "interscholastic activities" and "intrascholastic activities"—would also be added for reference, and specific references to the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) would be replaced with broader references to "governing organizations." The policy would also now clarify that students in grades 6–8 in schools serving students in grades 6–12 may compete on varsity sports teams. Additionally, because school districts can no longer make athletic transfer decisions based on "good cause," and students are instead expected to seek transfer approval from the governing organization itself, the policy's good cause circumstances would be removed, and the District's Athletic Activity Eligibility Transfer Review Committee would no longer resolve transfer disputes. Furthermore, the policy would authorize activity fees to be assessed to all students (with certain increased fees requiring Board approval) and would require offering any available activity insurance to all students. The policy would also require keeping students' eligibility records on file at each school and transferring these records to a governing organization upon request. Lastly, the policy would be renamed, "Extracurricular Activities and Athletics," to capture both interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activities.

Additional amendments to this policy are proposed pursuant to S.B. 178, which newly authorizes a "head coach of an athletic team to support the welfare of a student he or she coaches only by using personal funds to provide, in good faith, effects such as food, transportation, and recovery services." For clarity, the policy would define the term "head coach" as "the individual designated to oversee an interscholastic athletic activity at a District school." Conditions and reporting requirements imposed by newly adopted FHSAA bylaws and existing School Board policies, moreover, would be added to ensure that personal funds are used permissibly. Further, the policy would clarify that head coaches who use their personal funds to benefit students are doing so in their individual capacities.

These policy amendments were drafted in collaboration with and reviewed by the Superintendent, Cabinet, and District staff. The Notice of Intended Action and policies with strikethroughs and underlines are attached.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to amend School Board Policy 2431, *Interscholastic Activities and Athletics*.

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, announced on July 22, 2026, its intention to amend School Board Policy 2431, *Interscholastic Activities and Athletics*, at its meeting of September 9, 2026.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: School Board Policy 2431, *Interscholastic Activities and Athletics*, is proposed for amendment in response to legislative changes.

SUMMARY: School Board Policy 2431, *Interscholastic Activities and Athletics*, is proposed for amendment to incorporate changes made by 2026 Florida Senate Bills 178 and 538 (S.B. 178 and S.B. 538). The policy would now refer generally to “eligible students,” as defined by statute; define other statutory terms for reference; replace specific references to the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) with references to “governing organizations”; clarify that students in grades 6–8 in schools serving students in grades 6–12 may compete on varsity sports teams; remove “good cause circumstances” as an athletic transfer exception for the District’s Athletic Activity Eligibility Transfer Review Committee to review; authorize activity fees to be assessed to all students (with certain fees requiring Board approval); require offering any available insurance to all students; require keeping students’ eligibility records on file at each school and transferring these records to a governing organization upon request; define “head coach,” and authorize a head coach to support the welfare of a student he or she coaches only by using personal funds to provide, in good faith, effects such as food, transportation, and recovery services; impose conditions and reporting requirements in line with FHSAA bylaws and existing School Board; and clarify that head coaches who use their personal funds to benefit students are doing so in their individual capacities. The policy would also be renamed to capture all extracurricular activities.

SPECIFIC LEGAL AUTHORITY UNDER WHICH RULEMAKING IS AUTHORIZED: Fla. Stat. ss. 1001.41; 1001.42(8); 1006.195.

LAWS IMPLEMENTED INTERPRETED OR MADE SPECIFIC: Fla. Stat. ss. 1002.20, 1002.31(6), 1006.15, 1006.165, 1006.195, 1006.20.

IF REQUESTED, A HEARING WILL BE HELD DURING SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF September 9, 2026, which begins at 1:00 p.m., in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132. Persons requesting such a hearing or who wish to provide information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided in Section 120.54(1), F.S., must do so in writing by August 18, 2026, to the Superintendent, Room 912, at the same address.

ANY PERSON WHO DECIDES TO APPEAL THE DECISION made by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, with respect to this action will need to ensure the preparation of a verbatim record of the proceedings, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

COPIES OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED POLICY are available at cost to the public for inspection and copying in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.



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2431 ~~==~~ **INTERSCHOLASTIC-EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS**

I. Definitions

In accordance with State law, the following definitions apply to this policy:

- A. "Extracurricular activity" means any school-authorized or education-related activity occurring during or outside the regular instructional school day.
- A.B. "Eligible student" means a home education student, charter school student, private school student, Florida Virtual School student, alternative school student, or traditional public school student who wishes to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity.
- B.C. "Eligible to participate" includes, but is not limited to, participating in tryouts, off-season conditioning, summer workouts, preseason conditioning, in-season practice, or contests.
- C.D. "Governing organization" means any organization that governs the interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity of a school, including, but not limited to, the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA).
- D.E. "Head coach" is the individual designated to oversee an interscholastic athletic activity at a District school.

~~E.F.~~ “Interscholastic activities” are all extracurricular activities relating to competitive contests, games, events, or tournaments involving individual students or teams of students from different schools.

~~G.~~ “Intrascholastic activities” are all extracurricular activities relating to competitive contests, games, events, or tournaments a District school hosts for individual students or teams of students within the school.

References in this policy to “interscholastic athletic activities” (i.e., sports) are intended to exclude other interscholastic activities.

~~II.~~ **Interscholastic Extracurricular Activities and Athletics Program**

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~~A.~~ The District is authorized to develop a’s program of interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activities in accordance with this policy. shall include all extra-curricular activities relating to competitive sport contests, games, or events involving individual students or teams of students. References in this policy to “interscholastic activities” are intended to include all such activities, while references to “interscholastic athletic activities” (i.e., sports) are intended to exclude other interscholastic activities.

~~A.B.~~ The following conditions apply to interscholastic activities:

1. High school students in this District may compete in-county and out-of-county with high school students of another district or school. Students in ~~grades 6-8~~ schools may compete ~~with~~ against other students of this District in ~~grades 6-8~~ schools, but may not ~~play out of county or against out of county teams within the county~~ compete against students of other school districts or educational institutions.
2. All students shall be permitted to select their own interscholastic activities without duress or interference by any employee.
3. All high schools, with the approval of the Greater Miami Athletic Conference, may become members of ~~and be governed by the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) rules and regulations~~ a governing organization.
4. All high school students and employees in schools that are members of a governing organization shall comply with all applicable governing organization rules, including those on eligibility and reporting ~~FHSAA member schools shall comply with the eligibility requirements established by the FHSAA and/or other applicable member associations. Such e~~ Eligibility requirements

include, but are not limited to, those relating to amateurism, use of marks, and Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) agreements. The School Board may adopt more stringent rules ~~of eligibility~~ to be met by all students participating in interscholastic activities and employees, as applicable.

5. All students who participate or seek to participate in high school interscholastic athletic activities must be in good physical condition, be free of injury or life-threatening medical conditions, and be fully recovered from illness. To be eligible to participate in these activities, high school students must satisfactorily pass a medical evaluation each year. Separately, ~~beginning October 2025,~~ high school students must satisfactorily pass at least one (1) electrocardiogram (ECG/EKG) screening that meets the requirements of F.S. 1006.165. The ECG/EKG screening may be administered by a private provider or by a provider the District makes available through public or private partnerships. Exceptions to these eligibility requirements will be made only when a student's parent objects in writing based on religious tenets or practices or, in the case of ECG/EKG screenings, a student's parent provides a certificate of medical exception in accordance with State law. Individual eligibility verifications under this section must be done at the school site, and additional documentation may be requested.
6. There shall be no organized District interscholastic athletic activities~~program of interschool competition of a varsity pattern~~ for students in grades K-5~~in any activity~~. Boxing, tackle--football, and other body contact sports shall not be included in any program for students in grades K-5.
7. Students in grades 6-8 in District schools serving grades 6-12 may participate in varsity interscholastic athletic activities if all eligibility requirements under State law and this policy are met. These students are held to the same requirements as other students participating in these activities, including undergoing an ECG/EKG screening.
8. No student shall be excused from a class or supervised study for an extended period of consecutive days to participate in interscholastic activities unless approved by the principal.
9. In accordance with State Board rules, signed parent permission must be obtained before any student participates in interscholastic extracurricular activities.
10. The Superintendent shall develop appropriate administrative procedures for the operation of interscholastic athletic activities

which provide that:

- a. the District shall assume no liability for students with health conditions who have been authorized by their parents and/or their physicians to participate in interscholastic athletic activities;
- b. any student who incurs an injury requiring a physician's care is to have the written approval of a physician before the student resumes participation in an interscholastic athletic activity;
- c. to minimize health and safety risks to student-athletes and maintain ethical standards, no employee, except as allowed or required by law or Board policy, may distribute, administer, recommend, or permit the use of any medication (including but not limited to supplements and vitamins) or administer treatment to any student; and
- e.d. sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity characterize the manner in which interscholastic athletic activities are conducted and the actions of students who participate.

11. To support ~~the FHSAA's governing organizations'~~ programs and to strengthen sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity, it is the Board's policy that:

- a. interscholastic athletic activities should reflect the District's educational objectives and promote the ideals of good sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity;
- b. participation in interscholastic athletic activities is a privilege, not a right;
- c. Board members and District staff are encouraged to attend and enjoy ~~school~~ interscholastic athletic activities, serving as a positive role models and expecting the same from parents, fans, participants, coaches, and other school personnel;
- d. participants, coaches, school administrators, and fans who display good sportsmanship should be supported and recognized;
- e. interscholastic athletic activities are a vital part of education; and

- f. students and coaches will be informed of FHSAA-governing organization regulations and penalties for violations.

12. To support students in grades 6-8 who wish to participate in interscholastic athletic activities, the District will:

- a. review and analyze the allocation of funding for interscholastic athletic activities for students in grades 6-8 to assess current funding levels and school program challenges and deficiencies that may be linked to inadequate funding;
- b. explore and secure partnerships, including but not limited to county, municipal, and other community partnerships, and adopt strategies to produce additional revenue to support enhancements to interscholastic athletic activities for students in grades 6-8; and
- c. develop a written plan and program to ensure continued and consistent review of interscholastic athletic activities for students in grades 6-8 by soliciting stakeholder input at least annually and before the Fall of each school year.

13. Regulations to be observed by school personnel for students in grades 6-8 are found in the Interscholastic Athletic Manual and in the Middle Schools and K-8 Centers Program Administrative Athletic Procedures ~~which are on file in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, the Citizen Information Center, and the Office of the Board Clerk.~~

14. The Division of Athletics and Activities shall:

- a. provide schools with consistent, unified leadership in their athletic programs;
- b. provide athletic opportunities to all students in grades 6-12;
- c. develop and recommend policies for Board consideration that will continue the development of athletics within the overall educational program;
- d. carry out and administer all applicable Board policies;
- e. interpret Board policy to the extent necessary to provide guidance for schools in areas not specifically covered by policy; and
- f. provide management and leadership on a countywide basis to enable all students to develop their individual athletic

capabilities and receive maximum benefit from balanced, well-managed, and well-operated athletic programs.

- C. All District schools serving students in grades 6-12 may establish intrascholastic activities and join governing organizations that oversee such activities with approval from the Division of Athletics and Activities. Schools that join governing organizations must comply with applicable governing organization bylaws and rules.
- D. District schools are prohibited from membership in any governing organization that discriminates against eligible students in public, private, or home education.
- E. In accordance with State law, head coaches are authorized to use personal funds to support student-athlete welfare, but must do so in accordance with applicable statutes, State Board rules, governing organization bylaws, and School Board policies and procedures, including those requiring prior written parental consent, reporting to a designated school administrator, and prohibiting supports from being provided on a recurring or routine basis. Any private transportation arranged by a head coach must comply with Policy 8660, *Alternative Transportation Methods*. The District does not manage, direct, or fund these discretionary arrangements, and it assumes no liability for provisions, services, or transportation a head coach provides using personal funds. Head coaches who choose to use personal funds for these purposes do so at their own financial risk and personal liability.

II. **Greater Miami Athletic Conference (GMAC)**

The GMAC is established to protect the interests of its member high schools; promote pure, amateur sports; and foster such other activities as the GMAC may decide to sponsor. Any District school that is a member of the FHSAA may become a member of the GMAC by a two-thirds vote of the GMAC member schools.

- A. The Executive Committee of the GMAC shall consist of: president, first vice president, second vice president, immediate past president, two (2) delegated principals (north and south), two (2) delegated athletic directors (north and south), an FHSAA board representative, a representative of the secondary principals group, and four (4) members-at-large. The Administrative Director of the Division of Athletics and Activities and the GMAC Executive Secretary serve as non-voting, ex-officio members. Two (2) members from the same school may not serve on the executive committee at the same time.
- B. The executive secretary shall be responsible for supervision of the high school athletic program as prescribed in the bylaws, standing rules,

and policies of the GMAC, and shall be the executive officer of this conference.

- C. The Administrative Director of the Division of Athletics and Activities shall:
1. develop and enforce special directives as shall be necessary to provide uniform policy within the District and to ensure an effective athletic program in the various senior high schools;
 2. standardize the operations of the athletic departments in all high schools;
 3. manage all athletic events in the District, within the policies of the GMAC, FHSA, and Board policies, as applicable;
 4. help all schools to develop their athletic capabilities; and
 5. help develop realistic athletic budgets.
- D. Other than Christopher Columbus High School, non-public schools shall not be permitted to become members of the GMAC.

III. ~~Interscholastic Extracurricular~~ Activity Eligibility

~~A. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this policy, t~~The eligibility requirements of F.S. 1006.15 and the following conditions apply to ~~athletic~~ eligibility for all students in grades 6-12, as defined by Policy 5410, *Student Progression Plan*. These requirements are in addition to all academic and conduct eligibility requirements contained in Policy 5845, *Student Activities*, Policy 5500, *Student Conduct and Discipline*, and ~~FHSA governing organization~~ and GMAC bylaws and rules.

~~B.A. In accordance with State law, "eligible to participate" includes, but is not limited to, participating in tryouts, off-season conditioning, summer workouts, preseason conditioning, in-season practice, or contests.~~

B. A student is eligible to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity at the school in which the student is enrolled if eligibility requirements are met. This does not mean that a student must be placed on any specific team for interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities.

C. A District student may participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity at a private school if the student and the private school have entered into an agreement governing participation.

D. An District student who is otherwise eligible student may to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity and whose offered by the District if the school in which the student is enrolled does not offer the same interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity or the student is in a home education program, provided that the school at which the student will participate is located in the school district in which the student resides. Exceptions will be made only in the following circumstances:

1. If no public or charter schools in the district in which the eligible student resides offers the interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity, and an agreement cannot be reached with a private school in the district in which the student resides, the student may participate at a public, charter, or private school that is appropriate for the student's grade level located in a school district adjacent to the school district in which the student resides.
2. If the student has exhausted all these options, the student may petition the executive director of the applicable governing organization to explore options for participation at a school where the student is not otherwise authorized to participate.

E. A home education student participating in the District's interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities must meet the requirements of the home education program pursuant to F.S. 1002.41 and are subject to the specific educational progress and evaluation requirements of F.S. 1006.15. These students must meet the same standards of acceptance, behavior, and performance as required of other students in extracurricular activities.

~~IV. may either participate in the activity at any public school in the District or develop an agreement to participate in the activity at a private school. A student exercising either of these options must:~~

~~meet the same standards of acceptance, behavior, and performance that are required of other students in interscholastic activities at the school at which the student wishes to participate; and~~

~~before participation, register with the school the student's intent to participate in interscholastic activity as a representative of the school and, if applicable, participate in curricular activities at the school if that is a requirement the interscholastic activity.~~

~~A student enrolled in home education, a personalized education program (PEP), or full-time at a virtual school, or who is enrolled at a charter school that does not offer the interscholastic activity in which the student wishes to participate, is eligible to participate in an interscholastic activity at any public school in the District, provided that the student meets the same residency requirements as other students in the school offering the~~

~~interscholastic activity. Students exercising this option must also fulfill all applicable academic and nonacademic requirements under State law and Board policy. (See F.S. 1006.15(3))~~

- ~~A. Students enrolled in non-FHSAA member private schools, or who are enrolled in FHSAA member private schools that do not offer the interscholastic athletics activities in which the students wish to participate, are eligible to participate in District interscholastic athletic activities at FHSAA member District schools, as appropriate for the private school students' grade levels, and must fulfill the same academic and nonacademic requirements as any other participant under State law and Board policy.~~

Parents of ~~private school~~ students participating in interscholastic ~~athletic or intrascholastic extracurricular~~ activities at schools in which they are not enrolled must provide for the transportation of the student to and from the school at which the student participates at FHSAA member District schools are responsible for transporting their children ~~to and from the District school~~. The ~~District school at in~~ which the student is enrolled, the school at which the student participates in the extracurricular activity, ~~participates in the interscholastic athletic activity~~ and the Board are exempt from civil liability arising from any injury that occurs to the student during such transportation.

- ~~B.F. In accordance with State law, students granted School Choice placements in accordance with Board policies shall be immediately eligible to participate in interscholastic activities at the new school.~~

~~V. IV. Athletic Activity Eligibility Transfer Review Committee (AETRC)~~

- A. In cases where a student's ~~athletic~~ eligibility to participate in an extracurricular activity is disputed, the Superintendent's ~~Athletic Activity~~ Eligibility ~~Transfer~~ Review Committee (AETRC) will review the circumstances prior to the student participating in the ~~athletic~~ activity.
- B. The AETRC consists of one (1) District-level administrator~~;~~, three (3) school principals~~;~~, three (3) school athletic directors~~;~~, one (1) representative from the District Athletic Advisory Committee~~;~~, and one (1) ~~an~~ administrator from the Division of Athletics and Activities, who serves as an ex officio member.
- C. The AETRC shall review all ~~requests for athletic transfers eligibility disputes based on good cause as defined in under~~ this policy. The ~~Committee AERC~~ will meet at least once a month. All AETRC decisions ~~regarding athletic eligibility that are reviewed by the AETRC~~ will be forwarded to the Region Superintendent and principal of the affected schools for information purposes. Except as otherwise provided by law, AETRC decisions are final.

~~VI.V.~~ Athletic Transfers

A. A student may not participate in ~~an interscholastic athletic activity if the student participated in that same activity at another school during that school year~~ sports at two (2) different schools during the same school year, unless the student ~~meets one (1) of the following criteria:~~

1. ~~is a~~ dependent child~~ren~~ of active military duty personnel whose move resulted from military orders;
2. ~~children who have~~has been relocated due to a foster care placement in a different school zone;
3. ~~children who move~~has moved due to a court ordered change in custody due to separation or divorce, or serious illness or death of a custodial parent; or
- 3.4. ~~has been granted approval by the executive director of the applicable governing organization, which must provide a determination of eligibility to the requesting student within fourteen (14) days after the request is made.~~

~~students who are otherwise authorized only under the following good cause circumstances:~~

~~students who have fully and completely moved to a new residence in Miami-Dade County;~~

~~students who are administratively placed in a different school pursuant to Policy 5120 or Policy 5131 for reasons other than athletics or discipline;~~

~~students who are placed within the first twenty (20) days of the school year to magnet schools or programs that are subject to specific admissions requirements and/or random lotteries that are governed by Policy 2370, Magnet Programs/Schools; or~~

~~students whose School Choice placements are approved pursuant to Policy 5131 and present extenuating circumstances to the AETRC, notwithstanding the rule on administrative placements as referenced in 4.b. above.~~

~~All good cause athletic transfer eligibility requests must be reviewed and approved by the AETRC prior to the student participating in the interscholastic athletic activity.~~

~~A student who participates in a District interscholastic or intrascholastic activity and transfers to another school during the school year may continue to participate in the same interscholastic or intrascholastic activity at the prior school for the remainder of the school year if:~~

~~during the period of participation in the activity at the prior school, the student continues to fulfill the eligibility requirements of F.S. 1006.15(3)(a);~~

~~the student continues to meet the same standards of acceptance, behavior, and performance which are required of other students participating in the activity, except for enrollment requirements at the school at which the student participates; and~~

~~the parents of the student participating in the activity provide for the transportation of the student to and from the prior school at which the student participates in the activity (in which case, the new school the student attends, the prior school at which the student participates in the activity, and the Board are exempt from civil liability arising from any injury that occurs to the student during such transportation).~~

~~VII.~~ VI. **Penalties for Violations**

- A. A student participating in any District interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity must abide by all State laws, ~~the FHSAA and GMAC~~ Bgoverning organization bylaws, and applicable Board policies ~~pertaining to eligibility, as may be applicable.~~

~~The FHSAA and other such~~ Governing organizations may assess penalties for noncompliance.

- B. Any student ~~or parent~~ who is found to have falsified enrollment, school placement, or eligibility information shall be declared ineligible to participate in interscholastic athletic activities for at least one (1) full calendar year from the date of discovery of the violation or as otherwise determined by the AETRC.
- C. Violations of this policy or State law may result in forfeiture of athletic contest(s), fines, and/or probation. Penalties to be assessed will be determined by the Director of the Division of Athletics and Activities and Executive Secretary, GMAC.
- D. The principal shall be responsible for control of the interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activity programs, coaches, booster groups, and student athletes.

- E. A student's eligibility to participate in any interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity may not be affected by any alleged recruiting violation until final disposition of the allegation pursuant to F.S. 1006.20.
- F. A ~~District~~ student currently suspended from interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities, or suspended or expelled from school, pursuant to Policy 5500, *Student Conduct and Discipline*, is ineligible to participate in the District's interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities. Additionally, in accordance with State law, students who are permitted to participate in interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular activities at ~~a public school~~ District schools in which they are not enrolled are subject to the Board's Code of Student Conduct for the limited purpose of establishing and maintaining the student's eligibility to participate in the school-related function. These students must comply with the specific requirements contained in F.S. 1006.15 that govern their circumstances.

VII. Activity Fees and Insurance

- A. All District schools may assess activity fees to enrolled students. The same activity fees that enrolled students pay to participate in activities may also be assessed to students who are not enrolled in a District school, but are eligible to participate in interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities. Home education students under F.S. 1002.41, and public-school students participating in interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities at public schools at which they are not enrolled, may only be assessed these fees.
- B. Annually, by July 1, an action item may alternatively be presented to the Board to approve activity fees to be assessed to students who are not enrolled in a District school, but are eligible to participate in interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities, that exceed activity fees assessed under section VII.A, above. Such fees must be reasonable based on the costs to the school and not exceed \$400 per activity.
- C. Each school must publish a complete list of all activity fees, organized by activity, on its website before the beginning of each school year. All activity fees assessed by the District must be annually reported to the Florida Department of Education.
- D. Any insurance provided by the District for participation in extracurricular activities must cover any eligible student, as defined in this policy.

VIII. Extracurricular Activity Records

- A. The athletic director or other appropriate administrator of each school shall maintain the records necessary for eligibility, compliance and participation for all eligible students participating in interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities at the school.
- B. Any school with a student seeking to participate in interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activities at another school must make all records related to that student, including, but not limited to, academic, financial, disciplinary, and attendance records, available upon request of the governing organization. The records must be made available in accordance with Federal and State law and Policy 8330.

To see the Interscholastic Athletics Guidelines Handbook, please click [here](#).

To see the Middle Schools and K-8 Centers Program Administrative Athletic Procedures, please click [here](#).

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