

## **Guidelines**

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## **Interscholastic Athletics**

The program of interscholastic athletics should provide students the opportunity to exercise and test their athletic abilities in a context greater and more varied than that which can be offered by a school or the School District alone.

1. Games and practice sessions should be used to teach the values of competition and good sportsmanship.
2. Annually, each participant shall have a physical examination by a District approved physician, and/or parents shall report any past or current health problems along with a physician's statement that any such problems have or are being treated and pose no threat to the student's participation.
3. Subsequent physical examinations may be required to continue participation and a student's fitness documented.
4. Any student who is found to have a communicable disease shall not be allowed to participate until they have permission from a physician.
5. Any student who incurs an injury requiring a physician's care is to have written approval by a physician prior to the student's return to participation.

### **Guidelines for Varsity Lettering**

1. Coaches will share, in writing, their lettering criteria at their pre-season parent/athlete meeting. The criteria must include specific lettering requirements in the areas of playing time, attendance, and conduct.
2. As varsity teams are finalized over the first few weeks of practice, lettering criteria will be mailed to the parent/guardian.
3. The Athletic Director will review the written criteria prior to the start of each season to establish uniformity across the sports.

### **District Co-Curricular Advisory Committee**

1. The School District will appoint a Co-Curricular Advisory Committee. The purpose of this committee will be to review the Co-Curricular Code, recommend changes to the Code, and discuss any other items related to Co-Curricular activities.

2. Members of the Co-Curricular Advisory Committee will consist of the following: Columbus High School Assistant Principal; Columbus Middle School Principal; District Athletic Director; and one representative from each of the following: Columbus High School Coach, Columbus Middle School Coach, Columbus High School Advisor, Columbus Middle School Advisor, Pupil Services staff member, parent for athletics/activities, Columbus High School student, plus one alternate student.
3. Membership will be for a two-year term – with the exception of the Athletic Director.
4. Meetings will be held a minimum of three times per year.
5. Decisions made by the group will be consensus recommendations that will be submitted to the administrative team for approval before implementation.
6. The Chairperson will be selected by the advisory committee.
7. The Secretary will also be selected by the advisory committee.

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