MORRISVILLE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: INTERSCHOLASTIC

ATHLETICS

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123.	INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

1. Purpose

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

2. Definition

For purposes of this policy, the program of **interscholastic athletics** shall include all activities relating to competitive or exhibition sport contests, games or events 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.

3. Authority Title 22 Sec. 4.27 34 CFR 106.41 Pol. 103 It shall be the policy of the Board to offer opportunities for participation in interscholastic athletic programs to male and female students on as equal a basis as is practicable and without discrimination, in accordance with law and regulations.

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The Board shall approve annually a program of interscholastic athletics and shall require that all facilities utilized in that program, whether or not the property of this Board, properly safeguard both players and spectators and are kept free from hazardous conditions.

The Board shall determine the standards of eligibility to be met by all students participating in the interscholastic program. Such standards shall require that each student be covered by the maximum student accident insurance available, or its equivalent, be in good physical condition, be free of injury and shall have fully recovered from illness, as determined by the district physician, before participating in any interscholastic athletic event.

The Superintendent further adopts those eligibility standards set by the Constitution of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, and shall review such standards annually to ascertain that they continue to be in conformity with the objectives of this district.

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The Board further directs that no student may participate in the program of interscholastic athletics who has not maintained a record of academic proficiency, attended school regularly, study sessions regularly, and returned all school athletic equipment.

Off-Campus Activities

Pol. 218

This policy shall also apply to student conduct that occurs off school property and would violate the Code of Student Conduct if:

- 1. There is a nexus between the proximity or timing of the conduct in relation to the student's attendance at school or school-sponsored activities.
- 2. The student is a member of an extracurricular activity and has been notified that particular off-campus conduct could result in exclusion from such activities.
- 3. Student expression or conduct materially and substantially disrupts the operations of the school, or the administration reasonably anticipates that the expression or conduct is likely to materially and substantially disrupt the operations of the school.
- 4. The conduct has a direct nexus to attendance at school or a school-sponsored activity, such as an agreement to complete a transaction outside of school that would violate the Code of Student Conduct.
- 5. The conduct involves the theft or vandalism of school property.

4. Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent shall annually prepare, approve and present to the Board for its consideration, a program of interscholastic athletics which shall include a complete schedule of events and shall inform the Board of changes in that schedule as they occur.

The Superintendent shall prepare rules for the conduct of students participating in interscholastic athletics. Such rules shall be inconformity with the rules of the State Board of Education and the P.I.A.A.

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