

### **Eligibility (Athletics)**

Determination of athletic eligibility shall be made in compliance with applicable administrative regulations and Kentucky High School Athletic Association requirements. Students may be required to meet additional requirements as established by the appropriate school authority.

District standards for playing up from middle school (grades seven and eight [7 & 8]) to high school in sports other than football and soccer may include, but are not limited to, considerations related to safety, physical readiness, use of school space after the school day, transportation, funding, the student's disciplinary status and record, any substance testing restrictions, equitable opportunities for participation, and harmonizing any conflicting school-based decision making ("SBDM") requirements. SBDM Council policies apply to the selection of sports activities, and student participation based on academic qualifications and attendance requirements, program evaluation, and supervision.<sup>1</sup>

To be eligible to try out and participate at the high school level, middle school students must meet all applicable KHSAA, District, and SBDM requirements. The Superintendent/Designee in cooperation with principals, SBDM councils, coaches, and athletic directors, as deemed appropriate, may develop guidelines for Board approval addressing playing up standards.

#### **CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS**

A student enrolled in a public charter school that offers any interscholastic athletic activity shall be ineligible to participate in interscholastic activities at any other school. Subject to applicable law, regulations, and bylaws (e.g. KHSAA, Title IX) and the terms of the charter contract, students who are enrolled in a charter school that does not offer any interscholastic athletic activities shall be eligible to participate in such activities at the District school of that student's residence.

#### **REFERENCES:**

<sup>1</sup>[KRS 160.345](#)  
[KRS 156.070](#); [KRS 160.1592](#)  
[702 KAR 007:065](#); [OAG 15-022](#)  
 Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA)

#### **RELATED POLICIES:**

02.4241  
 09.126 (re requirements/exceptions for students from military families)  
 09.423

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