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**Student Athletic/Activities Handbook
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I. ELIGIBILITY

A. Required Documentation

All of the following, with the exception of the physical examination form and high school drug testing consent form, will be completed via the online registration program. The following documentation must be on file with the athletic office or activity sponsor before a student may participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities:

- a. permission from the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) for the student's participation, giving the District full waiver of responsibility of the risks involved.
- b. all rostered students must have a current physical issued by a licensed physician, an advanced practice nurse, or a physician assistant within the last 395 days who assures that the student's health status allows for active athletic participation.
- c. written authorization from the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) for medical treatment.
- d. proof of accident insurance coverage, either by a policy purchased through the District approved insurance plan, or a parent(s)/guardian(s) statement that the student is covered under a family insurance plan.
- e. written consent from the student and his/her parent(s)/guardian(s) to random drug testing pursuant to the Extracurricular Drug and Alcohol Testing Program. (School Board Policy 7:300, Section 6 - high school athletes only).
- f. consent from the student and his/her parent(s)/guardian(s) of knowledge of and information pertaining to District 50 Concussion Protocol.
- g. a principal's certification of academic eligibility.
- h. proof of payment of the student user's fee(s) as enumerated in Section VIII per sport season, to be paid before the first practice. Board Policy 6:190 requires that fees be paid in full prior to participation in any club, organization and/or a sport. No refunds will be granted unless an athlete is dropped from a team because of a limited number of participants. Paid fees guarantee team membership only.

B. Academic Eligibility

- a. Participants should understand that their first responsibility is to meet the requirements of their coursework. Participants should realize that if they are not successful in their courses, they will not be successful in extracurricular activities.
- b. Academic eligibility is based upon Illinois Elementary School Association ("IESA") and/or Illinois High School Association ("IHSA") rules and requirements.
- c. Definitions
 - i. "Extracurricular Activities" are all IESA and/or IHSA activities and those activities which are organized and sponsored by Harvard Community Unit School District 50, but do not include graded courses, classes or activities for which academic credit is received. Occasions such as homecoming, prom, class trips, variety shows, and student organizations are also not included.
 - ii. "Participation" is defined as competing in athletics/activities.
 - iii. Attending regularly scheduled or special meetings or events of any extracurricular activity is required.
- d. Credit and Grade Point Average Requirements
 - i. Honors and Regular Grading Scale:

<u>HONORS</u>	<u>REGULAR</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>
A+ 5.34	4.34	98-100 %
A 5.00	4.00	94-97 %
A 4.66	3.66	90-93 %
B+ 4.34	3.34	87-89 %
B 4.00	3.00	83-86 %
B 3.66	2.66	80-82 %
C+ 3.34	2.34	77-79 %
C 3.00	2.00	73-76 %
C 2.66	1.66	70-72 %
D+ 2.34	1.34	67-69 %
D 2.00	1.00	63-66 %
D 1.00	0.66	60-62 %
F 0.00	0.00	0-59 %

- ii. To be eligible to participate in a given semester, a high school student must earn three credits (six classes) in the previous semester. A student who does not meet this requirement shall be ineligible for participation for the following semester. The ineligibility pertains to all rostered participants (managers, statisticians, etc.)
- iii. For a student to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities, he/she shall maintain a semester GPA of 1.66. A student who does not meet this requirement shall be ineligible for participation for the following three weeks.
- iv. The high school principal or his/her designee will conduct weekly eligibility reviews. Students must pass three credits per week. Students who fail to meet this requirement shall be ineligible for one week, Monday -Sunday. All classes, will be included in computing the student's credits for the week. Junior High School students must be passing all classes.
- e. Only those courses in which the student is enrolled for credit and are approved by Harvard High School Guidance Department and/or principal will be considered for determining eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities.
- f. Eligibility for extracurricular participation of students having an individualized education program, or receiving reasonable accommodations pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, shall be subject to this policy, unless determined by the student's educational team or case manager. The nature of the disability must be stated in the IEP or 504 Plan and will be a determining factor in a student's eligibility. Eligibility limits cannot be made below minimal requirements of the IHSA.
- g. Eligibility for extracurricular participation of students who are in their first year of the Bilingual Education Program and are receiving reasonable accommodations through this program shall be subject to this policy, unless it is determined by a team composed of the bilingual staff, the athletic director, and an administrator that their inability to use English is preventing them from meeting this requirement. Eligibility limits cannot be made below minimal requirements of the IESA and/or the IHSA.

II. ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL - PROCEDURE

If a student is too ill to attend school, the student is too ill to participate in athletics or activities.

- A. Any student who is absent from school for thirty or more minutes, at any point of the day, shall not participate in practice sessions or any contests or performances on that day. Students attending a funeral or whom have a doctor's appointment, with a note from the physician, are excused from school and may practice and participate. Students must attend their practice and/or contests that day; however, they may not dress out.
- B. If a student is absent on a Friday due to illness, that athlete may not compete on Saturday unless the athlete obtains permission from the building principal, to compete on Saturday. If a student has an unexcused absence on a Friday, the athlete may not practice or compete on Saturday, unless the principal has given permission to do so.
- C. If a student has been absent three or more consecutive days due to illness, the student shall not participate in the next contest without written consent from a doctor.
- D. If a student is absent on the day prior to a school-recognized non-attendance day, the student may not compete on that day and/or the following day. The student may participate the second day after the absence with the principal's permission or a doctor's note.

III. CHANGING SPORTS DURING THE SAME SEASON

- A. Varsity athletes shall not be allowed to drop one sport to join another sport during the same sport season, unless they have been cut from another sport.
- B. Students who participate in a sport for the first time shall be allowed to change sports, but only if the following criteria are met:
 - a. the athlete is in good standing with their coaches and school;
 - b. both head coaches and the athletic director agree with the change; and
 - c. the request to change is made before the first scheduled contest.
- C. Athletes who are dismissed for a disciplinary reason from a sport shall not be allowed to weight train or practice for a sport in the next sports season until their former team members are also able to start practices for that sport.

IV. ATHLETES PARTICIPATING IN TWO SPORTS IN THE SAME SEASON

- A. The two head coaches of the sports involved must be in agreement at least one month prior to the start of practice. The athletic director must be notified in writing at this time.
- B. The athlete must declare a primary sport and must participate in that sport when there is a scheduling conflict. This is to be done prior to the first day of practice and is to be given to the athletic director in written form.
- C. If the athlete quits the primary sport, he/she may not continue in the secondary sport. The athlete may drop the secondary sport and continue in the primary sport.

V. RULES FOR HARVARD ATHLETES/ACTIVITY PARTICIPANTS

- A. Curfew

- a. All athletes will adhere to state curfew hours. It is unlawful for a person less than 17 years of age to be present at or upon any public assembly, building, place, street, or highway at the following times unless accompanied and supervised by a parent, legal guardian or other responsible companion at least 21 years of age approved by a parent or legal guardian, or unless engaged in a business or occupation which the laws of this State authorize a person less than 17 years of age to perform:
 - i. between 12:01 A.M. Friday and 6:00 A.M. Saturday
 - ii. between 12:01 A.M. Saturday and 6:00 A.M. Sunday
 - iii. between 11:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. on the following day on Sunday through Thursday inclusive.
 - b. The first curfew infraction shall result in a conference with the involved athlete, his/her coach, and the head coach of their sport.
 - c. The head coach, as a result of the above conference, shall issue some punishment.
 - d. A second curfew violation may result in an athlete being dropped from the squad. The head coach shall inform the athletic director when this situation occurs.
- B. Practice Attendance
- a. Athletes are expected to attend all practices in their sport unless excused by their coach. Excused absences include illness, a death in the family, religious holidays, doctor or dental appointments, and immediate family vacations. Parents must make personal contact with the head coach prior to the vacation. Immediate family is defined as parents or guardians.
 - b. Athletes who become ill while in attendance on a day of practice should inform their coach that they would not be at practice.
 - c. Injured athletes who are attending school are to attend practice sessions even though they cannot physically participate.
 - d. The first unexcused absence from practice may disqualify the athlete from participating in the next scheduled contest.
 - e. Two unexcused absences from practice may result in elimination from the squad.
 - f. Students who are in school may be excused from practices by their coach.
- C. Athletic/Activity Transportation
- a. All extracurricular participants shall travel by school-approved transportation to and from all contests.
 - b. Participants may return home with their parents/guardians providing the parent makes a personal request to the coach/sponsor in charge. Participants may only return home with their parents/guardians. Any other arrangements must be approved by the administration.
 - c. Parents are expected to provide participants' transportation home from the practice or competition site-if competition is a "home" competition.
- D. Participants' Dress and Appearance
- a. Head coaches/sponsors may establish more specific dress and appearance rules than the IHSA, but in accordance with school dress code, for their activity. For example, varsity athletes may be requested to wear special clothing deemed appropriate on a day of a contest.
 - b. Participants representing Harvard District 50 shall not wear any jewelry during any athletic practices or contests.
 - c. Habitual violation can lead to dismissal from the activity.

VI. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARTICIPANTS IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- A. Expectations of participants:
 - a. set a good example for other students;

- b. maintain student-teacher relationships of the highest caliber; and
 - c. meet their responsibilities as students. For example, detentions must be made up before attending practices.
- B. All students participating in extracurricular activities are required by Board Policy 7:240 to:
- a. conduct themselves at all times, including after school and on school days when school is not in session and whether on and off school property, as good citizens and exemplars of Harvard District 50, and
 - b. behave in ways that are consistent with good sportsmanship, leadership and appropriate moral conduct.
- C. Students who fail to abide by Board Policy 7:240 and the Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities as detailed below may be removed from the extracurricular activity.
- D. The Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities, set forth below, describes the expectations and goals of all extracurricular and athletic programs and will be enforced every day of the calendar year, 24 hours a day, beginning the day of 6th grade and through the date of 12th grade graduation and/or the culmination of the IESA and/or IHSA state series, whichever is later. A student may be excluded from activities or competition while the school is conducting an investigation regarding the student's conduct. Students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) are encouraged to seek assistance from the student assistant program regarding alcohol or other drug problems.
- E. Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities
- a. A student participating in an extracurricular activity or athletic program will be subject to disciplinary action if he or she violates the Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities. Violations will be treated cumulatively, with disciplinary penalties increasing with subsequent violations.
 - b. The student shall not:
 - i. violate the District's policies or procedures on student discipline;
 - ii. use beverages containing alcohol (except for religious purposes);
 - iii. use, possess, buy, sell, barter or distribute any illegal substances (nonprescription drugs) or look-a-like substances or paraphernalia;
 - iv. use tobacco in any form; this includes, but is not limited to: e-cigs, vaporizers, and/or smoking materials of any kind;
 - v. use, possess, buy, sell, barter or distribute any object that is or could be considered a weapon or any item that is a look a-like weapon. This prohibition does not prohibit legal use of weapons in cooking and in sports, such as archery, martial arts practice, target shooting, hunting and/or skeet;
 - vi. attend a party or other gathering and/or ride in a vehicle where alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances are being consumed by minors;
 - vii. act in an unsportsmanlike manner;
 - viii. vandalize or steal;
 - ix. haze other students;
 - x. violate the written rules for the activity or sport;
 - xi. behave in a manner that is detrimental to the good of the group or school;
 - xii. be insubordinate or disrespectful toward any of the activity's sponsors or team's coaching staff;
 - xiii. falsify any information contained on any permit or permission form required by the activity or sport;
 - xiv. test positive for any drug that is on the IESA or IHSA Performance Enhancing Drugs List; and
 - xv. use social networking tools or other electronic communication methods to violate the Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities.

F. Enforcement of Athletic/Activities Rules and Regulations

a. Use of Alcohol, Illegal Substances or Tobacco:

- i. the Board of Education believes that the use of alcohol and other drugs by students who participate in interscholastic athletics or Harvard District 50 activities presents a particular hazard to the health, safety, and welfare to the students and to those who compete with the students in all activities. The Board encourages students to participate in interscholastic athletics and school sponsored activities, but believes the opportunity to participate in a school sponsored interscholastic athletics or a school-sponsored activity is not an absolute right. Rather, it is a privilege offered to eligible students on an equal opportunity basis.
- ii. staff and law enforcement agencies are authorized to report infractions. This will include all violations during the student’s activity and athletic career, starting the first day of 6th grade, and through the date of 12th grade graduation, and/or the culmination of the IESA or IHSA state series, whichever is later.
- iii. verification of any violation of this policy may be made by police officials, school officials, School District 50 staff members, parents or guardians of the student accused and the student.

Requirements and Expectations	Consequences For Not Meeting Requirements and Expectations
<p>A. Use or possession of alcohol, tobacco, e-cigs, vaporizers, and/or smoking materials of any kind, controlled substances, or misuse of prescription and/or non-prescription drugs, will be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities.</p>	<p>Any student in violation of the requirements and expectations will be given one of the following consequences:</p>
	<p><i>First offense (use or possession)</i> Upon verification, parents will be contacted; the student will be suspended from 50% of the total number of scheduled performances, activities, or competitions. (Scheduled performances, activities, or competitions includes the first scheduled state series performance, activity, or competition.) If the student is involved in both athletic activities and non-athletic extracurricular activities, the amount of the suspension shall be based upon athletic activities. If a student is in both athletic and non-athletic extracurricular activities, the student will not be allowed to participate in non-athletic extracurricular activities while he/she is serving the athletic suspension. At the student’s expense, the student must attend a substance abuse assessment within two business days and enroll in the recommended counseling prior to being eligible for events or activities, and the student must successfully complete the counseling in a timely fashion or be subject to an additional suspension at the discretion of the athletic director.</p>

	<p>First offense (attendance at a party/in a vehicle) Attendance at a party or riding in a vehicle where possession or use of alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances are being consumed: a suspension of 10% of the total number of performances, activities, or competitions. The student/athlete must end the sport/activity in good standing. If the suspension cannot be completed in the given season, the suspension will carry over to the next season. For example, a student that is suspended for 20% of a season, with 10% of their season remaining, will be required not only the remainder of that season, but, also 10% of the next sport/activity season.</p>
	<p>Second Offense (use or possession): Upon verification of the offense, parents will be contacted. The student will be suspended from participation in athletics or activities for one calendar year.</p> <p>Second offense (attendance at a party/in a vehicle) Attendance at a party or riding in a vehicle where possession or use of alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances are being consumed: a suspension of 20% of the total number of performances, activities, or competitions.</p>
	<p>Third Offense (use or possession): Upon verification of the offense, parents will be contacted. The student will be ineligible to participate in athletics or activities for the remainder of his or her career at the school.</p> <p>Third offense (attendance at a party/in a vehicle) Attendance at a party or riding in a vehicle where possession or use of alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances are being consumed: The student will be suspended from participation in athletics or activities for one calendar year.</p>

VII. CODE OF ETHICS AND GUIDELINES FOR SPECTATORS

- A. All Hornet fans and supporters are expected to display good sportsmanship.
- B. All representatives of District 50 should show respect for the rights of others.
- C. Game officials will be supported by the administration in assessing penalties against participants and coaches/sponsors for rules violations.
- D. All regulations set by opponents while engaged in activities at their site will be respected.
- E. No intentional evasion of, or circumventing of, a rule will be permitted.
- F. All communications will follow the chain of command.
- G. All cases, events, or circumstances not covered specifically by the foregoing policies and procedures shall be decided by the athletic director, principal and/or the District 50 Superintendent.

VIII. MISCONDUCT

- A. Profane or Vulgar Language
 - a. The use of profane or vulgar language by participants shall not be tolerated.

- b. The first infraction shall result in a conference with an administrator(s), the involved participant, the involved participant's parents, his or her coach/sponsor, and the head coach/sponsor of the activity.
- c. As a result of the above conference, the administrator(s) shall determine the degree of punishment.
- d. A second violation shall result in suspension from one event or contest. The head coach/sponsor shall inform the Athletic Director or relevant administrator and the student's parent/guardian if such a situation occurs.
- e. A third violation may result in the participant being dropped from the activity. The head coach/sponsor shall inform the Athletic Director or relevant administrator and the student's parent/guardian if such a situation occurs.

IX. GROSS MISCONDUCT

- A. Gross misconduct is defined as any conduct, behavior or activity which causes or may reasonably lead school authorities to forecast substantial injury, disruption, or interference with school activities, or the rights of other student, school personnel or other persons. State law provides that students may be subject to disciplinary consequences up to and including suspension or expulsion for gross disobedience or misconduct. Action may be taken, regardless of the location as long as there is reasonable relationship between the conduct of the student and school. Use of social networking thru electronic devices is prohibited to commit any and all gross misconduct. See Board Policy 7:190-AP6.
- B. Gross misconduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - a. conviction of a felony
 - b. fighting
 - c. vandalism
 - d. assault
 - e. theft
 - f. proven gang affiliation
 - g. sexual harassment
 - h. hazing/intimidation/bullying
 - i. insubordination
 - j. falsifying information and/or academic dishonesty
- C. Any gross misconduct or behavior by a participant who is representing Harvard District 50 shall cause the AADC to review their individual case.
- D. The AADC will discuss the degree of severity of any participant's misconduct and recommend a course of disposition to the Building Principal.
- E. Out of School Suspensions:
 - a. 1-3 day OSS: A suspension of 10% of the total number of performances, activities, or competitions. Any competitions during the out of school suspension will count towards the 10% suspension.
 - b. 4 or more day OSS: A minimum suspension of 20% of the total number of performances, activities, or competitions. Any competitions during the out of school suspension will count towards the 20% suspension.
- F. Calculating Time of Suspension:
 - a. to calculate the percentage of performances, activities, or competitions from which the student is suspended, the building principal shall determine the number of events that occur in the regular season. For example, if the number of scheduled basketball games (including the first state-series game) is 20, a suspension for 10% of competitions would require the student to miss two games.
- G. The conviction of a felony may have a punishment of the remainder of the participant's

junior high school career.

- H. A coach's/sponsor's decision will be made with regard to misconduct (language, etc.) not gross misconduct. If the participant commits multiple offenses, he or she may be suspended for up to one calendar year.

X. DUE PROCESS

- A. Pursuant to Board Policy 7:240-AP1, students who are accused of violating the Code of Conduct for Extracurricular Activities are entitled to the following due process:
- a. the student should be advised of the disciplinary infraction with which he or she is being charged.
 - b. the student shall be entitled to a hearing before an appropriate administrator.
 - c. the student will be able to respond to any charges leveled against him or her.
 - d. the student may provide any additional information he or she wishes for the administrator to consider.
 - e. the administrator(s), with the help of other staff members if needed, may interview material witnesses or others with evidence concerning the case.
 - f. if the administrator finds, after reviewing the evidence, that the violation occurred, he or she will impose sanctions on the student as set forth within this document.
 - g. the administrator(s) will make a written report of his or her decision and rationale. The student may appeal the decision to the Building Principal. The student's appeal must be in writing and must be filed with the Building Principal within two school days after receipt of the administrator's written decision.
 - h. within ten school days after receipt of the student's written appeal, the Building Principal will convene an appeal committee which will be named the Athletic/Activities Discipline Committee (AADC). This committee will be made up of a minimum of three members and may contain the following members: Building Principal, Off Season Coach, Assistant Principal, Dean of Students, Teachers, and Athletic Trainer.
 - i. the AADC will make a written report of the appeal decision and rationale within three school days after the hearing. The student may appeal the decision of the AADC to the Superintendent. The student's appeal must be in writing and must be filed with the Superintendent within two school days after receipt of the administrator's written decision.
 - j. the District 50 Superintendent will review the record on appeal to the AADC and render a written decision within ten school days after receipt of the student's written appeal.
 - k. the District 50 Superintendent will make a written report of his or her decision and rationale. The student may appeal the decision of the Superintendent to the Board of Education. The student's appeal must be in writing and must be filed with the Board Secretary within two school days after receipt of the Superintendent's decision.
 - l. the Board of Education will review the student's appeal during the closed session of its next regularly scheduled Board meeting following the student's appeal. The decision of the Board of Education will be final.

XI. WEIGHT/FITNESS ROOM ELIGIBILITY

- A. Any student that is not participating in a sport will be able to start weight training and/or use the fitness room if supervised by school personnel.
- B. Athletes who are dismissed from a sport shall not be allowed to weight train, practice, or use the fitness room for a sport in the next sports season until their former team members are also able to start practices for that sport. If an athlete is injured and will not be able to

participate for the remainder of that season, the athlete may weight lift with a program prepared by the District athletic trainer.

- C. Supervision will only be conducted by an employee, coach, or volunteer approved by the Harvard District 50 Board of Education.
- D. The student must have a current insurance waiver and a current physical on file.

XII. ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY AWARDS

- A. It is a privilege to be a member of a Harvard athletic/activity team. It is the philosophy of the District 50 coaching staff that earning a varsity letter is a distinct honor and something that we believe all athletes should aspire to achieve. Athletes are required to meet the standards as stated below to earn a varsity letter.
 - a. All awards for athletes will be purchased and awarded by the athletic department.
 - b. All awards will be handed out at the conclusion of each sport season.
 - c. In case of injury incurred during a sport season, an athlete may be eligible for an award upon recommendation of the coach and athletic director.
 - d. Requirements for earning a varsity letter:
 - i. finish the season in good standing
 - ii. be in regular attendance
 - iii. display good sportsmanship
 - iv. comply with end-of-season requirements
 - e. Participation
 - i. Football-25% of quarters
 - ii. Basketball-25% of quarters
 - iii. Wrestling-25% of all wrestling
 - iv. Track-25% of varsity meets
 - v. Golf-25% of all matches
 - vi. Baseball and Softball-25% of innings, except pitchers
 - vii. Cross Country-participated in 25% of varsity meets
 - viii. Soccer-25% of all periods
 - ix. Volleyball-25% of playing time
 - x. Cheerleading-coach's discretion
 - xi. Scholastic Bowl-25% of matches
 - xii. Chess-25% of matches
- B. Managers-upon recommendation of coaches, will receive a letter that recognizes this accomplishment.
- C. Statisticians-upon recommendation of coaches, will receive a letter that recognizes this accomplishment.
- D. The coaches will use good standing and participation for determining the awarding of a varsity letter. Note: Coaches may exercise an option in special cases when specific requirements are not met, but an award is merited. Seniors do not automatically qualify; however, those who complete three seasons of a sport in good standing will be awarded a varsity letter.
 - a. Nature of awards
 - i. Varsity 7" Letter
 - ii. Freshmen/Sophomore 4" Letter
- E. Team Patches/Plaques
 - a. Team patches or plaques may be awarded for special occasions: football playoff qualifier, conference, regional, sectional, or super-sectional championship, or state qualifier.

- b. Individual patches or plaques may be awarded for qualifying for the state contest.
 - c. Special athletic plaques: These will be awarded at the conclusion of the student's senior year. Criteria: an athlete must earn five (5) varsity letters during his/her high school career.
 - d. An athlete who completes an athletic season will receive an academic pin if the student is recognized as being an honor roll student. The athlete will receive one per year. We will use the following procedure:
 - i. Fall Season: 1st nine weeks
 - ii. Winter Season: 2nd nine weeks/first semester
 - iii. Spring Season: 4th nine weeks
- F. During his/her career, an athlete may receive one freshman/sophomore letter and one varsity letter per sport. The athlete will receive a subsequent symbol the first time he/she earns a letter in that sport at either the freshman/sophomore or varsity level. The student will receive a certificate in each sport. When an athlete meets the requirements of a second letter in that sport, he/she will receive a bar to be placed on the letter.
- G. The Wall of Fame was created to honor senior athletes that have competed at an elite level and have been a positive reflection of Harvard High School via athletics.
- a. Criteria: Each head coach, with suggestions from his/her assistant coaches, will nominate those seniors he/she feels are outstanding athletes that meet the following criteria:
 - i. Has participated in the sport he/she was nominated in for at least three seasons and has earned at least one varsity letter in that sport.
 - ii. Has been recognized outside of our school system: All-Conference, All-Area, State Qualifier, All-State.
 - iii. The athlete has consistently demonstrated a positive attitude towards our school and our athletic programs. The athlete has demonstrated good citizenship throughout his/her career. Any athletic code violations resulting in suspension will be taken into consideration during the process.
 - iv. athlete(s) whose careers contain extenuating circumstances may be chosen to the Wall of Fame at the discretion of the voting body.
 - b. Nominating/Voting Procedure:
 - i. Each head coach will submit his/her nominees to the athletic department.
 - ii. Coaches may nominate up to six athletes per head coaching season. A coach who is a head coach in two sports will be able to nominate two groups of six. Coaches are to cast a 1st place vote (6 points) for, in their opinion, the best athlete. They are to cast a 6th place vote (1 point) for, in their opinion, the sixth best athlete.
 - iii. After verifying with the high school administrative team (Principal, Assistant Principal, Dean of Students) that all nominees meet the criteria, the athletic department will create a complete, finalized list of nominees. The nominee list will then be shared with all head coaches prior to the selection meeting.
 - iv. At the selection meeting, head coaches, will vote for athletes from the list of nominees. Coaches may vote for their own nominees. Coaches are able to vote for a total of six athletes, and are to cast a first place vote (six points) for, in their opinion, the best athlete. They are to cast a sixth place vote (one point) for, in their opinion, the sixth best athlete. A coach who is a head coach in two sports will be able to vote for a total of twelve athletes, but will cast separate ballots for each sport they coach.

- v. Coaches will vote for athletes, using the following scale: 1st place vote = 6 points; 2nd place vote = 5 points; 3rd place vote = 4 points; 4th place vote = 3 points; 5th place vote = 2 points; 6th place vote=1 point.
- vi. An athlete must receive 25 points to be added to the Wall of Fame. There is no limit to the number of athletes that can be selected each year.
- vii. All head coaches are expected to attend the selection meeting. If a head coach absolutely cannot attend the selection meeting, he/she must designate someone to vote in his/her place, or must email the athletic director with his/her votes no later than the day before the selection meeting.
- viii. The inductees will be recognized during the Senior Tribute Assembly. After the assembly, the Wall of Fame athletes will have their pictures taken in the uniform from the sport in which they were nominated, and pictures will be displayed in the hallway near the South Gym. If an athlete is nominated in multiple sports and is elected to the Wall of Fame, he/she may choose the sport that they would like to represent on the Wall of Fame.

XIII. YEARLY FEES

Extracurricular Activities are all IESA and/or IHSA activities and those activities which are organized and sponsored by Harvard Community Unit School District 50, but do not include graded courses, classes or activities for which academic credit is received. Occasions such as homecoming, prom, class trips, variety shows, and student organizations are also not included.

The following yearly fees apply to the enumerated activity:

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY / CLUB	YEARLY FEE
BASEBALL	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
BOYS OR GIRLS BASKETBALL	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
BASKETBALL CHEERLEADING/COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
BOYS OR GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
FOOTBALL	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
FOOTBALL CHEERLEADING	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
BOYS OR GIRLS GOLF	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
BOYS OR GIRLS SOCCER	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
SOFTBALL	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
BOYS OR GIRLS TRACK	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
VOLLEYBALL	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
WRESTLING	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
MUSICAL/ PLAY PERFORMERS	\$75.00 / \$25.00*
CHESS and SCHOLASTIC BOWL	\$40.00
AFS, ART CLUB, DRAMA CLUB, FFA, GSA CLUB, HISTORY CLUB, INTERACT, LINK CREW, MATH TEAM, NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, OPERATION CLICK, SPANISH	NO FEE

CLUB, STUDENT COUNCIL TRI-M, YEARBOOK	
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY / CLUB	YEARLY FEE
BOYS OR GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY	\$40.00 / \$25.00
BOYS OR GIRLS BASKETBALL	\$40.00 / \$25.00
CO-ED SOCCER	\$40.00 / \$25.00
BOYS OR GIRLS TRACK	\$40.00 / \$25.00
VOLLEYBALL	\$40.00 / \$25.00
WRESTLING	\$40.00 / \$25.00
JAZZ BAND	\$25.00
NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY, STUDENT COUNCIL, YEARBOOK CLUB	NO FEE

High School Sports Fees

The yearly sports fees for high school students who are not part of the direct certification program:

- 1st Sport-\$75.00
- 2nd sport-\$75.00
- 3rd sport or spring musical (same year)-Free

***High School Sports Fees for Direct Certification Students**

The yearly sports fees for high school students who are part of direct certification as further explained below:

- 1st sport-\$25.00
- 2nd sport-\$25.00
- 3rd sport or spring musical (same year) - Free

If you are part of the direct certification program, you will have to type “DC,” (all capital letters, no quotation marks or comma) in the payment code section of our athletic registration website. You will then come to the office to pay via the method of your choice.

Direct certification is based on need as defined by the State of Illinois. Please note that not all low-income households qualify for direct certification. If your student qualifies for direct certification, you will receive a separate letter from the Athletic Department. You can also look under the “Fees” tab of your student’s TeacherEase profile, or call the athletic office at 815-943-6461 Ext. 2281, to see if your student is part of the direct certification program.

Direct Certification includes households receiving assistance under the SNAP, TANF, income eligible Medicaid or Foster Children as eligible for free school meals/milk based on agency records. Added Homeless, Migrant, and Head Start reports via SIS for Public Schools Only.

Athletes who are removed from the team, quit the team, or are injured and are unable to complete the season, due to the injury, will not have their participation fees refunded.