

Athletic Participation Policy

1. Any athlete missing a practice session or contest must present their excuse to the coach. If the athlete knows in advance that they will miss, they must inform the coach and request to be excused. Excused and unexcused absences will be handled by the coach involved. Automatic suspensions are not permitted. The coach involved must meet with the A.D. and the appropriate action can be taken.
 2. To be eligible for participation in any practice or contest, the student must have either been in attendance or have an excused absence for the last day of classes prior to the contest or practice. If a student is too sick to attend class they are not to participate in either practices or contests.
 3. All athletes are expected to commence the season at the earliest possible date. Late enrollment will be permitted but lack of conditioning, instruction in fundamentals and equipment or uniforms may create a problem for late comers.
 4. A student who quits one sport (in good standing) may join another team in the same athletic season if the change is made prior to the first athletic contest. If a change is to take place, the student athlete must contact the Athletic Director, who will then act on the transfer. A key factor in the decision is the benefit for the teams and the students involved in the transfer.
- Any athlete quitting a sport without good reason forfeits all awards in that sport. Under certain unusual conditions, an athlete may drop a sport with permission and still qualify for awards.
5. All seniors must participate at the varsity level.
 6. If cuts are made at the Junior Varsity level, no upperclassman may be moved to J.V. or Freshman team level.
 7. If an athlete is ejected from an athletic event, that athlete shall not participate in the next event in which the student athlete would be eligible to participate. If a conflict exists between this policy and MHSAA policy, the principal will insure that disciplinary action is enforced in a fair and equitable manner. If the athlete is ejected from more than one event during a one-year period, (the year starts with the date of the first ejection), the athlete will not participate in the next event plus additional action may be imposed by the Athletic Director and/or coach in which second ejection took place.
 8. Athletes may compete in only two sports per season. Cheerleading shall be considered as a sport.
 9. If it is necessary to cut players from a team, the coach must consult with the Athletic Director and/or principal who will determine if cuts are needed. (There will be no cutting at the 7th & 8th grade levels.)

10. Any student, grades 7-12, who wishes to engage in any sport must submit evidence of physical fitness to the coach before entering the sport. The person must secure a form from the coach which is to be taken to the doctor when the student goes for the physical examination. The form, completed and signed by the doctor, must be returned to the coach. Any fee charged by the doctor is the expense of the student.

11. Students may tryout for any sport offered at Dansville Schools. Students may not tryout two weeks after the sport has begun without approval of the coach and athletic director. Coaches reserve the right to shorten this tryout period.

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