

**Student  
Athlete Handbook**

*Home of the  
“PACERS”*

**Switzerland County High School**



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**Section 1: PROGRAMS OFFERED**

Fall Season: Boys Sports-Cross Country, Soccer, Football  
 Girls Sports-Volleyball, Soccer, Cross Country, Golf  
 Winter Season: Boys Sports-Basketball, Swimming, Wrestling  
 Girls Sports-Basketball, Swimming, Wrestling  
 Spring Season: Boys Sports-Baseball, Track, Golf  
 Girls Sports-Softball, Track

**Section 2: ELIGIBILITY RULES**

**2.1 Age - IHSAA Rule C-4.1**

A student who is or shall be twenty (20) years of age prior to or on the scheduled date of the IHSAA Finals in a sport shall be ineligible for Interschool Athletic Competition in that sport. A student who is nineteen (19) years of age on the scheduled date of the IHSAA State finals in a sport shall be eligible as to age for Interschool Athletic Competition in that sport.

**2.2 Grades-IHSAA Rule C-18.1**

To be eligible scholastically, students must have received passing grades at the end of their last grading period in school in at least seventy percent (70%) of the maximum number of full credit subjects (or the equivalent) that a student can take and must be currently enrolled in at least seventy percent (70%) of the maximum number of full credit subjects (or the equivalent) that a student can take. Semester grades take precedence.

Two semesters of the state required physical education courses may be counted as a full credit subject for eligibility purposes even though a full credit is not granted by the Department of Education. When the block four scheduling program is used, students must be currently enrolled in and passing three courses. Class periods must meet Indiana Department of Education Standards for awarding credit and minutes in class.

**NOTE: A full credit subject requires a minimum total of 250 minutes of instruction per week for one semester.**

Maximum Classes	4	5	6	7	8
Must Pass	3	4	5	5	6

**2.3 Grade Check**

Switzerland County High School operates on a nine (9) week grading period. Grades will be checked by the Athletic Director prior to the beginning of the sports season and at the conclusion of each grading period. Switzerland County has declared that grade eligibility will be determined on the day report cards are issued.

**2.4 Parents & Physicians Consent Form-IHSAA Rule 3-10**

Between May 1 and student's first practice in preparation for inter-school athletic participation:

- a. The student shall have had a physical examination by or shall provide certification from a physician holding an unlimited license to practice medicine.

b. The parent or guardian shall give written consent for such participation unless the student is emancipated; and

c. The parent or guardian shall consent to the disclosure by the school, to the IHSAA, of all requested detailed financial (athletic or otherwise), scholastic and attendance records of the school, including records which, may concern or be related to the student unless the student is emancipated in which event the student shall give such consent. The Consent and Release Certificate shall be on file in the principal's office prior to the student's first practice. Such certificate may suffice for the entire school year. This rule cannot be waived.

**2.5 Practice Rules-Boys IHSAA Rule C-50 Girls IHSAA Rule C-101**

Students must participate in ten (10) separate days (two days for girls golf) of practice or enter that sport directly from another school sport before he/she may participate in an Interscholastic Athletic event. Practice must be under the direct supervision of a member of the coaching staff.

**2.6 Absence Due To Illness-IHSAA Rule C-3-11**

Students properly certified to participate in interschool athletic activities, who are absent from school for five consecutive days due to illness or injury or who are physically unable to practice for five consecutive days due to illness or injury, must present to their principal a statement from a physician holding an unlimited license to practice medicine that they are again physically fit to participate Interscholastic Athletics. (See Rule 9-14 for practice requirements.)

**2.7 Amateur Standing-IHSAA Rule C-5-1 through 6**

A student may lose his/her amateur standing and eligibility for Interscholastic Sports if he/she accepts gifts or prizes for participation in sporting events as a member of a team that is not affiliated with the school. Questions regarding amateur standing should be directed to the Athletic Director.

**2.8 Participation-IHSAA Rule 15**

**Philosophy**

Students should have the opportunity to voluntarily engage in non- school sponsored sports activities provided such activities do not interfere with the student's educational development and the activities do not conflict with the principles of wholesome amateur athletics. The IHSAA wishes to enhance that opportunity while at the same time discouraging the exploitation of student athletes by overzealous individuals and organizations who attempt to impose an obligation on the student, to participate in their programs at any cost. There has been growing evidence of commercialism of high school athletes. In far too many instances, non-school sponsored sports events have been the "market place" where the students have been lured to display their "athletic wares." Experience has revealed that such events tend to divide the allegiance of the students, undermine their respect for their high school coaches, and encourages the type of adulation which gives the students an exaggerated notion of the importance of their own athletic prowess

rather than reinforcing the idea that athletic ability is an endowed talent which students should use for the pleasure and satisfaction that they may derive from athletic competition. By the promulgation and enforcement of these rules the IHSAA strives to eliminate these abuses.

### **2.8.1.1 Individual Sports**

(Cross Country, Golf, Track)

a. Participation in organized non-school sports competition during the authorized contest season, including IHSAA tournament series, in that sport shall cause such students to become ineligible for their school team in that sport for a period not to exceed 365 days as determined by the Commissioner, *unless* an outstanding student-athlete waiver for said competition is approved by the coach and principal and is on file in the principal's office.

*A maximum of two waivers may be granted during a contest season.*

b. Student-athletes may receive private lessons so long as:

1. They are not mandated, scheduled or paid for by the school;
2. No school practices or competitions are missed; and
3. No student from another school is participating in the lesson.

c. An outstanding student-athlete may participate as an individual during the authorized contest season of a sport, without loss of interschool eligibility, provided the following criteria are met:

1. A completed waiver application form signed by the parent, coach, and principal is forwarded to the Commissioner seven days prior to the event and approved by the Commissioner.
2. Certification by State, National or International non-school organization verifying the student's qualification(s);
3. Arrangements to complete academic lessons, assignments, tests, etc., is made in advance;
4. Student may not miss an Association sponsored tournament series or school contest for which he/she is eligible. (It is the philosophy of this Association that students owe loyalty to their school and team.)
5. Student and parent agrees not to accept, directly or indirectly, any awards, gifts, trips, merchandise, etc., which would violate IHSAA Rule 5 (Amateurism) or Rule 6 (Awards, Prizes, Gifts).

d. Participation of students in an organized athletic competition with or against athletes not belonging to their school *counts as one of contests for that season for that student*. An organized "scrimmage" or practice with or against athletes not belonging to their school *counts as one of contests for that season for that student*. The following situations are not considered a violation of this rule:

1. When a school does not have a team, individual students may practice with another school's team under the supervision of the other school's coach provided a written agreement, signed by both principals, is on file in the IHSAA office. Students may only compete in contests representing the school

they are attending.

2. Student-athletes may practice in the same facility with athletes from other schools so long as they are doing their own workout under the direct supervision and instruction of their own coach; or

3. A student-athlete may work out on their own in the presence of other athletes so long as the other athletes have not yet reached the ninth grade.

e. Students who participate in an interschool contest when ineligible other than in scholarship, too many events or similar oversights, become ineligible only in that sport for a time period not to exceed 365 days to be determined by the Commissioner or his designee. When facts are purposely withheld or misrepresented, students become ineligible in all sports for the remainder of their tri-semester and all of their next tri-semester in school unless the school takes appropriate action as determined by the Commissioner.

f. Students may not participate in try-outs or demonstrations of athletic ability as a prospective college student-athlete.

g. An ineligible student may not appear in athletic uniform at an interschool contest.

#### **2.8.1.2 Team Sports**

(Baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, and volleyball.)

a. Participation in organized non-school sports competition during the authorized contest season, including the IHSAA tournament series, in that sport shall cause such students to become ineligible for their school team in that sport for a period not to exceed 365 days as determined by the Commissioner, *unless* an outstanding student-athlete waiver for said competition is approved by the coach and principal and is on file in the principal's office. A maximum of two waivers may be granted during a contest season.

b. Student-athletes may receive private lessons so long as:

1. They are not mandated, scheduled, or paid for by the school;

2. No school practices or competitions are missed; and

3. No student from another school is participating in the lesson.

c. Participation of students in an organized athletic competition with or against athletes not belonging to their school constitutes a game. An organized "scrimmage" or practice with or against athletes not belonging to their school is considered a game.

d. Students who participate in an interschool contest when ineligible other than in scholarship, too many events or similar oversights, become ineligible for their school team in that sport for a period not to exceed 365 days to be determined by the Commissioner or his designee. When facts are purposely withheld or misrepresented, students become ineligible in all sports for the remainder of the tri-semester and all of their next tri-semester in school unless the school takes appropriate action as determined by the Commissioner.

e. Coaches of grades 9-12 may not coach organized non-school sports

competition during the authorized contest in that sport in grades 9-12.

f. Students may not participate in try-outs or demonstrations of athletic ability as a prospective college student-athlete.

g. An ineligible student may practice with the team, but only at home in regular practices. The ineligible student may not appear in an athletic uniform at an interschool contest.

### 2.8.2.1 Individual Sports

(Cross Country, Golf, Tennis, and Track)

a. Students may participate in non-school contests as individuals or as members of a non-school team in non-school contests.

b. Coaches, from a member school coaching staff, may coach students in that sport **NOT** under the organization, supervision and operation of the member school.

c. Member schools may not organize, supervise or operate athletic practices or interschool athletic contests.

d. Member schools may not provide school-owned uniforms (jerseys, shirts, shorts, pants, singlets, or swimsuits, etc.) worn by the student in non-school contests.

### 2.8.2.2 Team Sports

(Baseball, Basketball, Football, Soccer, Softball, and Volleyball)

a. Students may participate in team sport contests as members of a non-school team provided no more than the following number of students who have participated in a contest the previous season as a member of one of their school teams in that sport or any freshman who are rostered on the same non-school team, at the same time.

**Baseball—5**

**Football—6**

**Softball—5**

**Basketball—3**

**Soccer—6**

**Volleyball—3**

The following standards also must be met:

1. Participation is limited to non-school time.

2. Fees, if charged, must be provided solely by the student, parent, or guardian. No school or athletic funds shall be used for such when students of grades 9-12 are involved.

3. Participation shall be open to all students.

4. Merchandise and awards, other than those of symbolic value, may **NOT** be accepted for athletic proficiency. Student must remain an amateur.

b. Students may not receive instruction from individuals who are members of their high school coaching staff.

c. Coaches, from a member school coaching staff, may not instruct students who have participated in a contest as a member of their school's team or any freshman. (Exception: Coaches may instruct their sons or daughters.)

d. Member schools may not organize, supervise or operate athletic practices.

e. Member schools may not provide school-owned uniforms (shorts, pants, singlets, or swimsuits, etc.) worn by the student in non-school contests.

### 2.8.2.3 Camps

- a. Students may attend during non-school time provided the following standards are met:
  1. Attendance is limited to non-school time unless camp is a verified Olympic development camp.
  2. Fees, if charged, must be provided solely by the student, parent or guardian except for underprivileged students. No school or athletic funds shall be used for such.
  3. No school-owned uniforms (jerseys, shirts, shorts, pants, singlets, or swimsuits, etc.) shall be worn by the student.
  4. No more than three students in basketball and volleyball, five students in baseball and softball, or six students in football and soccer who have participated in a contest the previous year as a member of one of their school teams in that sport may participate on the same team or in the same work station or drill at the same time. All work stations or drills must be held independent of each other and may not be integrated to simulate a game.
  5. Member schools may not organize, supervise or operate school-sponsored camps: however, schools may rent or lease their facilities to non-school sponsors.
  6. Coaches from a member school coaching staff may not instruct students (1) who have participated in a contest as a member of their school's team in that sport or (2) any *freshman*.
  7. Competition must be limited to intra-camp practices, contests and instruction.
  8. Merchandise and awards, other than those of symbolic value, may **NOT** be accepted for athletic proficiency. Student must remain an amateur.
  9. Length of attendance is unlimited.
  10. Seniors or graduates who plan to attend should check with appropriate college rules and regulations regarding recruiting before participating.

### 2.8.2.4 Clinics

- a. Students may attend during non-school time provided the following standards are met.
  1. Attendance is limited to non-school time unless camp is a verified Olympic development camp.
  2. Fees, if charged, must be provided solely by the student, parent or guardian except for underprivileged students. No school or athletic funds shall be used for such.
  3. No school-owned uniforms (jerseys, shirts, shorts, pants, singlets, or swimsuits, etc.) shall be worn by the student.
  4. No more than three students in basketball and volleyball, five students in baseball and softball, or six students in football and soccer who have participated in a contest the previous year as a member of one of their school teams in that sport may participate on the same team or in the same work station or drill at the

same time. All work stations or drills must be held independent of each other and may not be integrated to simulate a game.

5. Member schools may not organize, supervise or operate school-sponsored clinics: however, schools may rent or lease their facilities to non-school sponsors.

6. Coaches from a member school coaching staff may not instruct students (1) who have participated in a contest as a member of their school's team or (2) freshmen who have not participated on any school team. (Exception: Coaches may instruct their sons or daughters.)

7. Competition must be limited to intra-clinic practices, contests and instructions.

8. Merchandise and awards, other than those of symbolic value, may **NOT** be accepted for athletic proficiency. Student must remain an amateur.

9. Length of attendance in unlimited.

10. Seniors or graduates who plan to attend should check with appropriate college rules and regulations regarding recruiting before participating.

b. Coaches may use students, school owned equipment in schools, camps and/or coaches clinics held in the State of Indiana or in an adjacent state, when the coach is the presenter. A record of students used as demonstrators must be kept by the school. Coaches may not use a student for demonstration purposes in more than three (3) such clinics per sport between July 1 and June 30 each year. No more than one (1) such clinic may be in an adjacent state.

c. Member schools may not organize, supervise or operate school-sponsored student clinics.

#### **2.8.2.5 Conditioning Program**

Program designed for and limited to activities which promote physical fitness and exclude game drills. Examples of permissible activities are weight lifting, running and aerobic exercising. Specific equipment related to a particular sport, i.e. balls, goals, nets etc. shall not be used.

a. Students may participate in a conditioning program at the member school.

b. Member schools may operate a conditioning program.

c. Member school coaches may supervise the program provided:

(1) the program is open to all students of that member school.

(2) attendance and participation are voluntary and not required by the member school coaches for membership on a team;

(3) specific equipment related to a particular sport, i.e. balls, goals, nets, etc. shall not be used.

#### **2.8.2.6 Open Facility Program**

*An open facility program is a program in which the gymnasium, playing field or other school facilities are open to all students for participation.*



Specific equipment related to a particular sport, i.e. balls, goals, nets, etc., may be used.

a. *Open facility sessions for a particular sport may be conducted three times per week. However, they may be held more frequently within a month of the date of the official first practice in that sport.*

b. Member school coaches may supervise the program, communicate with the students and offer correction provided that:

- (1) they do not organize or assign individuals to teams;
- (2) the program is open to all students of the member school;
- (3) attendance and participation is voluntary and not required by the member school coach for membership on a team.
- (4) the coaching staff may offer instruction and work directly with a maximum of two athletes at a time.

### **2.8.3 During Summer**

Participation in all summer activities shall be voluntary.

#### **2.8.3.1 During Summer**

Whether summer athletic activities are sponsored by a member school or a non-school organization, students may participate so long as:

- a. Participation is voluntary;
- b. Merchandise and awards, other than those of symbolic value, may **NOT** be accepted for athletic proficiency. Students must remain an amateur.
- c. For football there shall be no full contact and protective equipment is limited to helmet, shoes, shoulder pads and mouthpieces.

#### **2.8.3.2 Camps and Clinics**

Students may participate in non-school sponsored camps provided the following standards are met.

- a. Attendance is limited to non-school time.
- b. Fees, if charged, must be provided solely by the student, parent or guardian except for underprivileged students. No school or athletic funds shall be used for such.
- c. No school-owned uniforms (jerseys, shirts, shorts, pants, singlets, or swim suits, etc.) shall be worn by the student.
- d. Merchandise and awards, other than those of symbolic value, may **NOT** be accepted for athletic proficiency. Student must remain an amateur.
- e. Length of attendance is unlimited.
- f. For football camps there shall be no full contact and protective equipment is limited to helmet, shoes, shoulder pads and mouthpieces.
- g. Seniors or graduates who plan to attend should check with appropriate college rules and regulations regarding recruiting before participating.
- h. For all school sponsored camps and clinics and non-school sponsored camps and clinics for fall sports, attendance must be terminated prior to Monday, Week 4. For non-school sponsored camps

and clinics in other sports attendance must be terminated prior to Monday, Week 5. (See IHSAA calendar for week numbers.)

### **2.8.3. Open Facility Program**

Program in which the gymnasium, playing fields, or other school facilities are open to all students for participation on a voluntary basis. Specific equipment related to a particular sport, i.e. balls, goals, nets, etc. may be used.

a. Member schools may operate open facility programs in which the gymnasium, playing field or other school facilities are open to all students for participation.

b. Member school coaches may supervise the program, communicate with students and offer correction provided that:

1. the program is open to all students of that member school.
2. attendance and participation is voluntary and not required by the member school coaches for membership on a team;
3. operation of open facility program must be terminated prior to Monday of Week 4 for all sports. Open facility programs may resume on the first day of school. (See IHSAA calendar for week numbers.) (A conditioning program may be extended through Saturday of Week 4.)

### **2.8.3.4 Moratorium**

Each member school shall observe a moratorium week starting on Monday of the week which includes July 4th., either IHSAA calendar Week 52 or Week 1. During this seven day period, there shall be no contact between athletes and coaches, and no athletic activities, including conditioning, conducted.

### **C-15.3.5 Penalties**

See Rule 17-7.1

## **Section 3. VALIDLY ADOPTED SCHOOL POLICIES**

Athletes who fail to follow school policies will receive penalties as determined by their coach and/or Athletic Director.

### **3.1 Practice Attendance**

Athletes are expected to attend all practices. The coach must be personally notified by the athlete prior to practice if he cannot attend. Penalty for unexcused absences will be left to the discretion of the coach.

### **3.2 School Attendance**

If an athlete is not in attendance two periods on a particular day, he/she will not be allowed to practice or compete in any contest that particular day. If there is an emergency situation, it should be brought to the attention of the Athletic Director and/or the attendance officer prior to the absence. A decision on participation status will then be made. (Attendance of three periods per day may allow the athlete to participate.)

### **3.3 School Suspensions**

An athlete who has received a full day of in-school suspension will not be eligible for any contest or practice on the day the suspension is served.

**3.4 Contest Expulsion**

If an athlete is expelled from an athletic contest by a game official, the athlete will be suspended from the next played contest. A second expulsion during the same sport season will result in a more severe penalty, to be determined by the Athletic Director and the head coach of the sport in which the expulsion occurred.

**3.5 Parent Awareness**

Parents are strongly encouraged to become familiar with the team rules and regulations in order to help their child adhere to those rules.

**3.6 Awards Programs**

All athletes are expected to attend the athletic awards presentation for their sport. If an athlete is unable to attend, the coach must be notified before the awards presentation takes place.

**3.7 Team Transportation**

An athlete involved in a school sponsored athletic event will be transported on approved school transportation under the supervision of the coach. Athletes who submit a written request to the coach prior to departure from Switzerland Co High School may be permitted to ride home with their parent/guardian with the coach's consent.

**3.8 Equipment & Uniforms**

Any equipment given to the student for his/her use must be taken care of and returned in satisfactory condition. If the equipment is lost, stolen, damaged or abused, the student will be charged the price of replacing the equipment.

**3.9 Injuries**

Any injury sustained by an athlete must be reported to the coach immediately.

**3.10 Athletic Insurance**

a. Neither the Switzerland County School Corporation nor the Switzerland County High School Athletic Department carries insurance which covers students in case of athletic injuries. Parents are encouraged to check with their present health and hospitalization insurance carrier to determine if additional insurance is needed.

b. Catastrophic protection is provided by the Indiana High School Athletic Association for all athletes participating in IHSAA sponsored athletics. This plan is a \$25,000 deductible policy. For more information contact your Athletic Director.

c. If additional insurance is needed, the student insurance plan offered by the Switzerland County School Corporation will cover participation in all sports offered at S.C.H.S. (Although insurance for football is offered, football is not a sport offered by S.C.H.S.) Forms for the student insurance are available in the office, and all questions can be answered by calling 1-800-328-2739.

**3.11 Dress Code For Athletic Events**

Athletes should represent Switzerland County High School in a respectable manner. When a Switzerland County High School athlete attends a home event or travels to another school as a competitor, he/she should dress in a

manner above criticism. Coaches may require certain types of attire.

**3.12 Policy For Participation After an Athlete Quits One Sport**

An athlete that has participated in a sport for five (5) days and quits, may not participate in another sport during the same season without the written permission of the coach of the sport the athlete quit and the athletic director. If cuts have been made for the second sport's team, the athlete may not participate on that team. After quitting a sport during one season, an athlete may not begin participation in another sport during the next season until the previous sports regular season has been completed. Open gyms are exempt from this rule.

**3.13 Dual Sport Participation Policy**

An athlete that wishes to participate in two sports during the same season, must file an agreement form in the athletic office one week prior to the beginning of practice for the two sports.

**3.14 Preseason Injured Athlete**

If an athlete is injured and cannot tryout because of an injury, the athlete will be permitted to tryout for said team at a later date. The athlete must petition the varsity coach in writing at the time of the official tryout period of said sport and agree on the anticipated tryout date.

**Section 4: AWARDS**

**4.1 Standards**

Each athlete must meet specific standards that have been defined for each sport in order to qualify for a varsity letter in that sport. These standards are outlined later in the handbook.

**4.2 Good Standing**

An athlete must complete the season (i.e., elimination of the team from the IHSAA Tournament or the last scheduled event) and be in good standing with the coaching staff, the athletic office, and the school to be eligible for an award.

**4.3 Inability To Complete Season**

If athletes cannot complete the season due to an injury, they may still receive an award if they remain involved with the team in some capacity as directed by the coach (i.e., manager or statistician).

**4.4 Varsity Award Jackets**

Athletes may purchase an award jacket after earning their first varsity letter. The athletic department will not make any payment toward the purchase of this jacket.

**Section 5: ATHLETIC AWARD GUIDELINES**

**The decision of whether an athlete is awarded a varsity letter will be made by the varsity coach of that sport.**

## Section 6: “PACER CODE”

### 6.1 Philosophy

It is the sincere belief of the Athletic Council (Head Coaches) of Switzerland County High School that athletics should be an enjoyable, gratifying and rewarding experience. We encourage each of our athletes to reap the numerous benefits that athletic participation offers. If the program is worth the time and effort required, it is certainly worth giving your all. As a Switzerland County athlete, you will be challenged to become a more disciplined individual, and you will be asked to make sacrifices for something that you profess to believe in. We hope that you find the Switzerland County High School Athletic Program a totally rewarding experience.

### 6.2 Violations and Penalties

A first violation of section 6.2 sub-sections 3 and 4 will automatically place the athlete in the second penalty level after another violation in the same or in a different category.

#### 6.2.1 Insubordination

The failure of an athlete to obey directions issued by a coach or administrator.

**PENALTY:** To be determined by the head coach, the principal, and the assistant principal/athletic director.

#### 6.2.2 Felonies, Thefts, and Misdemeanors Penalty

To be determined by the principal, the athletic director and the athletic council.

#### 6.2.3 Illegal Possession Of/Or Illegal Use Of A Controlled Substance or NonPrescription Drug Penalty

**1st Violation:** Suspension from one complete sport season which includes the IHSAA tournament. This sport must be one of past participation by the athlete. An athlete may attend practices during a suspended season with the permission of the head coach of that sport.

**2nd Violation:** Expulsion from athletics for one calendar year.

**3rd Violation:** Expulsion from athletics for the remainder of the athlete’s high school career.

#### 6.2.4 Illegal Possession Of/Or Illegal Use Of Alcohol

**1st Violation:** Suspension from 20% of the regular scheduled season contest.

**2nd Violation:** Suspension from one complete sport season which includes The IHSAA tournament. This sport must be one of past participation by the athlete. An athlete may attend practices during a suspended season with the permission of the head coach of that sport.

**3rd Violation:** Expulsion from athletics for a calendar year.

**6.2.5 Possession Of/Or Use Of Tobacco Products (Smoking, Chewing, Skoal, Etc.)**

**1st Violation:** Suspension from 10% of the regular scheduled season contest and successful completion of the Switzerland County High School Tobacco Education Program.

**2nd Violation:** Suspension from one complete sport season which includes The IHSAA tournament. This sport must be one of past participation by the athlete. An athlete may attend practices during a suspended season with the permission of the head coach of that sport.

**3rd Violation:** Expulsion from athletics for a calendar year.

**6.3 Enactment Policy**

**6.3.1** All violations from section 6.2 must be reported to the Athletic Director.

**6.3.2** After an investigation, the Athletic Director will notify the athlete and the head coach of the penalty to be served.

**6.3.3** Enactment of the here mentioned rules and penalties will be made by the Athletic Director based on:

1. Admission by the athlete.
2. Observation and confrontation by a member of the coaching staff, or a member of the school administration.
3. A determination of fact resulting from an investigation by school administrators.
4. By charges established by law enforcement officials or agencies.

**6.3.4 Out Of Season Violation**

Suspension will take place during the next season in which an athlete participates. This season must be satisfactorily completed to clear the penalty.

**6.3.5 In Season Violations Suspension for 100%**

Suspension for a percent of a season will be administered as follows: If an athlete is excluded from 10 scheduled games and the season consists of 20 games, then 50% of the penalty has been satisfied. The remaining 50% must come from the next season that he/she satisfactorily completes. The IHSAA sectional tournament is included in the regular season games.

**6.3.6 Suspension For Less Than 100%**

If an athlete has a 20% penalty and is excluded for one (1) scheduled game and the season consists of 10 games, then 10% of the penalty has been satisfied. The remaining 10% must come from the next season he/she satisfactorily completes. The IHSAA sectional tournament is included in the regular season games. When a suspension percentage ends in a fraction of a game, it will always be rounded up to the next whole number (Ex.: a 20% suspension from an eight (8) game schedule would be 1.6 games. Actual suspension would be two (2) games).

### 6.3.7 Tournament Suspensions

Each level of an IHSAA tournament beyond the sectional tournament level will serve as 10% penalty (Ex.: if a team advances to the semi-state level, a suspended athlete would have served 10% for the regional and 10% for the semi-state tournament for a total of 20%).

### 6.4 Effective Policy

In order to participate in athletics and receive athletically-based financial

**6.4.1** The PACER code is in effect 365 days a year

**6.4.2** All violations and penalties will be carried over for the athlete's entire high school career.

### 6.5 NCAA Clearinghouse Information

In order to participate in athletics and receive athletically-based financial aid, you must register with the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse and meet eligibility standards. If you wish to register online with the Clearinghouse, you must have a valid Visa or MasterCard. (Directions: Go to [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org); click on rules & eligibility to get information on eligibility requirements for Division I or Division II schools. Click on initial eligibility clearinghouse to register on-line.)

	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Football	Baseball	Men's Ice Hockey	Men's Soccer
High School	535,289	435,885	1,095,993	474,219	35,732	411,757
High School - Senior	152,940	124,539	313,141	135,491	10,209	117,645
NCAA	17,890	16,134	69,643	31,999	3,891	22,987
NCAA - Freshman	5,111	4,610	19,898	9,143	1,112	6,568
NCAA - Senior	3,976	3,585	15,476	7,111	865	5,108
NCAA - Drafted	51	31	253	693	10	37
High School to NCAA	3.3%	3.7%	6.4%	6.7%	10.9%	5.6%
NCAA to Pro	1.3%	0.9%	1.6%	9.7%	1.2%	0.7%
High School to Pro	0.03%	0.02%	0.08%	0.51%	0.10%	0.03%

Note: These percentages are based on estimated data and should be considered approximations of the actual percentages.

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