

Middle School Athletics

“Academic Achievement, Upstanding Character, Athletic Excellence”

Requirements for Participation

- [Sports Physical](#) (found on Athletics page of HCPS.org)
2022-2023: must be dated within 365 days of the start of the season
Beyond 2022-2023: must be dated after June 7th
- Registration on FORMS document (will be sent out by AD or school)
Winter Season: open November 1st
Spring Season: open February 1st
- Tryouts: (3 days to be determined by the Athletic Director and Coach)
Winter Season (Basketball): week of December 12th
Spring Season (Soccer): week of March 20th
- Academic Eligibility:
Winter Season: based on First Quarter report card
Spring Season: based on Second and Third Quarter report card

Academic Eligibility

- Eligibility Policy: No “E’s” on the quarterly report card
- Students who receive an “E” on their quarterly report card are ineligible to participate in MS athletics.
- If ineligible, students can appeal to the Eligibility Committee.
 1. Submit an appeal letter explaining the failing grade
 2. Eligibility committee makes decision- reinstate eligibility, deny eligibility
 3. Principal Probation-students denied by the eligibility committee may appeal to the principal

Program Structure

- 8- Game Seasons:
Winter Season 12/12/22 - 2/15/23
Spring Season 3/20/23 - 5/24/23
- One girls’ team and one boys’ team per season
- Practices: 90 minutes or less, days determined by the AD and Coach
- Max. of three days a week

Transportation

- Provided to and from games
- Game days will require students to leave early from school day
- Students will be responsible for getting make-up work from teachers.
- Transportation after practices is the responsibility of the parent.

Attending Games

- Parents are welcomed
 - Minors must be accompanied by an adult
 - Spectators are expected to support the educational intent of the program by displaying sportsmanship through positive cheering of athletes, coaches, and officials.
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**Intramural vs.
Interscholastic
Athletics**

	Intramurals	Interscholastic Athletics
Responsible Personnel	School Administration Physical Education Teachers	Supervisor of Athletics School Administration Athletic Director Coach
Participation Requirements	Intramural Permission Form	Physical Registration through FORMS Eligibility
Eligibility	Not Required	Must meet academic eligibility requirements
Activities	Based on student and PE teacher interest	Determined by Middle School Athletics Planning Committee
Team Selection	Students selected based on completion of participation requirements	Students selected based on three days of tryouts
Competition	Intraschool Competition	Interscholastic competition
Spectators	None	Minors accompanied by parent/guardian
Transportation	No Travel Involved	Bus transportation provided for travel to other HCPS middle schools