



# GLENROSA MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC POLICY AND PROCEDURES

## 4.6 Athletic Policy

### Introduction/Philosophy:

Glenrosa Middle School's staff and administration recognizes the value of curricular and extracurricular programs and their role in developing well rounded, contributing individuals. All students are eligible and encouraged to participate in a variety of extracurricular activities throughout their attendance at Glenrosa Middle. Parents, family and community members are also encouraged to take an active part of our school to ensure students have the opportunity to excel in many areas of personal development, including academics and athletics.

## A. ATHLETIC POLICY

### 1. Inclusion Policy

At Glenrosa Middle every student will be given an opportunity to participate on a school team. At the Grade 7 and 8 levels, a "no-cut" (based on athletic ability) policy exists whereby every student will receive equal playing time in all exhibition, league and playoff games.

A "no-cut" (based on athletic ability) policy is also in effect for Grade 9 students; however, students will not necessarily receive equal playing time. After selecting a core group of student athletes, and where the effort, commitment, and fair play of the athlete warrants, the coach will keep alternate players provided that the following guidelines are observed:

- I. The "playing team" will be clearly identified to all
- II. The coach will personally and individually explain to each alternate that he/she may stay with the team and practice with the team, but he/she will not play regularly with the team. The coach must clearly communicate to the alternates what his/her role with the team will be
- III. The alternates need to accept the fact that they are entitled to practice with the team but that they do not have the right to play, except where clearly communicated by the coach

### 2. Eligibility

Participants in extra-curricular activities must be mindful of their school responsibilities and be aware that these come first and foremost. Although academic standing is not a criteria for inclusion/exclusion in extra-curricular activities, students with failing grades or unsatisfactory work habits may be asked to withdraw from activities (after consultation with classroom teachers,

coaches, and/or parents) if it is deemed the extra involvement is adversely affecting their academic progress.

Students who fail to live up to the general citizenship and behavior expectations of the school (as set out in the Glenrosa Middle Code of Conduct) may also be excluded from participation. The Glenrosa Middle Code of Conduct applies to all students during their involvement with any curricular or extra-curricular activity including meetings, field trips, practices, games, and tournaments. Students who disregard the code of conduct or the guidelines of their coach and/or teacher sponsor may face the same consequences as if they had been in a normal school activity. Students, coaches, and parents should be aware that all restrictions regarding smoking, alcohol, drugs, behavior and inappropriate language apply to extra-curricular activities. Violations of the Code of Conduct occurring at an away game will result in the offending student being returned home immediately (circumstances permitting) with the expenses charged to the parents. In accordance with the Glenrosa Middle Code of Conduct/Discipline Policy, any student suspended for serious offenses will not be permitted to play in any games during the suspension. A follow-up by the coach will then determine what further action needs to be taken.

### **3. Student Commitment and Responsibilities**

1. Team members are expected to act in such a way that will bring credit to their team and school in accordance with the Glenrosa Middle Code of Conduct
2. If a student wishes to quit a team after the first week of practices, the student must notify the coach of the reason for quitting. If an athlete quits for an inappropriate reason or without informing the coach, the student may lose the right to play the next season's sport
3. Regular attendance at practices and games is expected for all athletes. If a practice or game is to be missed for an unavoidable reason, the student must inform the coach, in person, in advance. If a practice or game is missed without an acceptable reason, or without the coach being informed, the student may lose the privilege of being on the team
4. If a student has an unexcused absence from any of his/her classes on a game or tournament day, the student will not be permitted to participate in that day's game(s)
5. When a student will be absent from one or more classes due to involvement in an extra-curricular event, he/she will be required to have the necessary form filled out, signed by his/her teacher, and returned to the coach PRIOR to the event. Failure to return the form to the coach may result in the student not being able to participate in the event
6. Students will be expected to pay a fair replacement cost for any uniform or equipment which is lost or damaged while in their care
7. Students may be expected to help with scoring, timing, helping, or officiating at competitions.

#### 4. Playing Up

Student Athletes may decide to play up one grade level as long as that athlete will receive significant playing time. Also, the following people MUST be informed: GMS Athletic Director and Principal as well as MBSS Athletic Director and Principal and appropriate forms filled out.

#### 5. Fees

In an effort to help offset the cost of referees, uniforms, equipment, and tournament entry fees, Glenrosa Middle will be charging Athletic Fees for all athletes. The fee structure will be based on two tiers. Tier One sports require the athlete to pay \$35.00 per sport and Tier Two sports require a fee of \$30.00 per sport. The different rates correspond to the overall expenses that certain sports cost the school. **See fee structure below and payment info.**

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**Please return the student declaration to the coach / sponsor.**

#### **B. STUDENT DECLARATION**

As a student of Glenrosa Middle School, I have read the Athletic Policy and Procedures and will abide by the expectations set out as a member of the Glenrosa Middle School Athletic Program. By signing this form, parents/guardians are giving permission for their child to ride SD23 busses to and from league games.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Team: \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete's Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_

Morning Meeting Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ GMS House Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Cell/Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Fee Structure and Payment Info**

**\$35.00 - Tier 1 Sports:** : Grade 8 and 9 Volleyball, Grade 7 – 9 Basketball, Rugby, Field Hockey (These teams pay for referees)

**\$30.00 - Tier 2 Sports:** Cross Country, Track and Field, and all Grade 7 sports except for basketball

**To pay the athletic fee, please use School Cash Online.** This is the same online payment system that you use to pay school fees. Here is the School Cash Online link:  
<https://centralokanagan.schoolcashonline.com/>