

SCHOOL COUNCIL POLICY

Pikeville Independent Schools

Pikeville High School

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POLICY TOPIC DESCRIPTION
MIDDLE SCHOOL HOLDBACK POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

Students wishing to voluntarily hold back for the next school year must submit the official declaration form signed by all parents/guardians by May 1 of the current school year. No requests will be taken after this time. August 1 is the deadline to rescind the declaration.

Students wishing to hold back in 8th grade may not turn 15 prior to Aug 1 of the 2nd 8th grade year.

Students who are holding back must take all state and district level assessments required of the grade level they are repeating and will be assigned a class schedule appropriate to the repeated grade level.

Students will be allowed to participate in all middle school level extra-curricular activities during the voluntary holdback year including, but not limited to: Fall league academic team competition, sports, and clubs.

*Special Note—Students who are retained due to academic deficiencies **may not participate** in sports during the grade they are repeating due to academic ineligibility. A student who is in danger of being retained due to academic deficiencies may not declare a voluntary hold back to circumvent the retention.

Voluntary holdbacks may be ruled ineligible from all activities by administration due to behavioral concerns.

Participation in High School Athletics

Per KHSAA, voluntary hold back students 7th - 8th may not compete in JV or Varsity high school athletics in the year they are repeating.

Participation in KAAC Governor's Cup:

Per KAAC (Kentucky Association for Academic Competition), once promoted to grade six (6), students have seven (7) consecutive years of eligibility for KAAC events; three (3) consecutive years at the Middle Grades level, and four (4) consecutive years at the High School level.

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