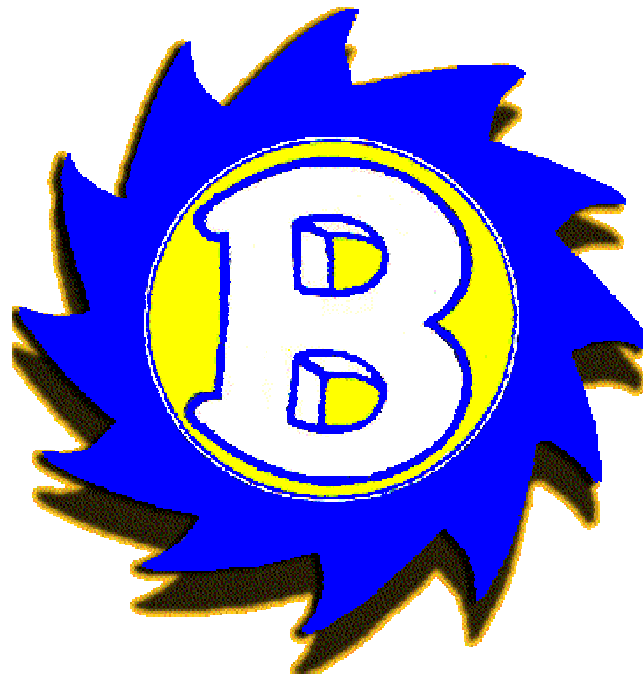


BROOKLYN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

PARENT STUDENT HANDBOOK



Brooklyn places the highest priority on good sportsmanship, ethics and integrity. As a Student-Athlete, Coach and Parent, you play a fundamental role. We ask you take your responsibility seriously and lead by example.

STUDENT and PARENT

ATHLETIC HANDBOOK Brooklyn City School District

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Message to Athletic Parent:

This handbook is presented to you because your son or daughter has indicated a desire to participate in interscholastic athletics, and you have expressed your willingness to permit him/her to compete. The Brooklyn City Schools are pleased of your interest in the Athletic Program. We believe that a comprehensive program of student activities is vital to the educational development of our students.

As students elect to participate, there are many questions, which both you and your son/daughter may have regarding the Athletic Program. The purpose of this handbook is to answer as many questions about the policies and philosophy of the program as possible. Our intent is to keep the students and parents as informed as possible in order to assist in making the athletic experience a positive one for our student athletes. We are hopeful that this handbook will be of assistance to you as your child participates in the Athletic Program in Brooklyn City School

Philosophy:

Participation in the Brooklyn City School's extracurricular activities is both an honor and a privilege. The Brooklyn Schools believe that interscholastic athletics are an integral part of the total educational program. High standards of behavior, scholarship, and citizenship are important to a sound athletic program. Students volunteering to participate must assume the responsibilities of this privilege and are required to meet expectations beyond those set for non-participants.

Brooklyn Schools believe that:

- Physical and emotional growth of student participants is the most important goal of participation. * Academic achievement is a prerequisite to participation.
- Additional time and energy committed to participation requires that the participants attain and maintain peak physical and mental condition.
- Substance abuse can cause significant health problem for adolescents and may also affect the development of skill that are necessary for participation.
- Interscholastic athletics can make the educational experience richer and more rewarding and therefore all students are encouraged to participate.
- Adherence to certain behavior and academic standards enhances a student athlete's quality of life. "All teams will "win with honor and lose with class."

In order to gain the right to participate in any extracurricular activity, a student must understand and abide by the "Code of Conduct." The student athlete's intent to abide by this code shall be evidenced in an agreement, which shall be signed by the student athlete and their parent(s) or guardian. This policy operates in conjunction with the Student Code of Conduct, so that, these provisions are part of that code, and all student athletes participating in extracurricular activities are subject to all provisions

Athletic Goals and Objectives

Goals:

1. The student athlete shall become a more effective citizen in a democratic society.
2. The student shall learn teamwork - To work with others in a democratic society a person must develop self-discipline, respect for authority, and the spirit of hard work and sacrifice. - To place the team and its objectives higher than personal desires.
3. To help the student athlete attain a drug-free lifestyle.

Objectives:

1. To Be Successful: Our society is very competitive. We do not always win, but we succeed when we continually strive to do so. You can learn to accept defeat only by striving to win with earnest dedication. Develop a desire to excel.
2. Sportsmanship: To accept success and defeat like a true sportsman, knowing we have done our best. We must learn to treat others, as we would have others treat us. We need to develop desirable social traits, including emotional control, honesty, cooperation, and dependability.
3. To Improve: Continual improvement is essential to good citizenship. As a student athlete, you must establish a goal and you must constantly try to reach that goal. Try to better yourself in the skill involved and in those characteristics set forth as being desirable.
4. Enjoy Athletics: It is necessary for us to acknowledge all of the personal rewards we derive from athletics and to give sufficiently of ourselves in order to preserve and improve the program.
5. To Develop Desirable Personal Health Habits
6. To be an active, contributing citizen, it is important to obtain a high degree of physical fitness through exercise and good health habits.

ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT

Scope of the Athletic Code of Conduct:

The provisions outlined in this policy shall be in effect twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, for the duration of the season. This includes sports, which commence before the beginning of the school year or extend beyond the end of the school year. Violations are

cumulative throughout the athlete's four years of high school participation and disciplinary actions may carry over from one season to another or from one year to the next.

Denial of Participation and Due Process

1. The athlete must have been given previous notice of the expectations of the Athletic Code of Conduct and rules and regulations specific to the sport/activity.
2. When an athlete is in suspected violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct, a hearing will be held to investigate the alleged misconduct.

PLEASE NOTE: results of related investigations by school administration may be used to determine if there has also been a violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

3. The Athletic Director or Designee will coordinate the hearing and investigation. At the hearing, the athlete will have the opportunity to discuss the circumstances concerning the incident. Due Process will be followed according to the Brooklyn City Schools Policy and Ohio Law.
4. The Athletic Director will determine if there has been a violation of the Code of Conduct and will give the student-athlete and parent/guardian written or verbal notification of the decision and penalty assessment (if applicable).
5. The athlete or parent has the right to appeal the decision of the Athletic Director to the building Principal. Any appeal must be requested in writing within five (5) calendar days of the decision notification. The appeal should state the exact reason the decision is being appealed. The Principal may direct this appeal to the Brooklyn City Schools Extra and Co- Curricular Activity Council for a review of this decision. The recommended penalty assessment will begin immediately upon written or verbal notification to the student- athlete and parent/guardian and will continue throughout the appeal process, unless specified by the building principal.

Expectations and Consequences

An athlete represents not only himself/herself but also the Brooklyn City Schools and the City of Brooklyn. Since participation is a privilege, it is important that students and parents/guardians be aware of the rules and expectations. A violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct may result in the denial of the privilege to participate in a sport/activity.

The following expectations are designed to improve the quality of interscholastic athletic competition for each athlete and his/her team. Because of the adverse effects of tobacco, drugs and alcohol, if an athlete is found in violation of the regulation concerning such, the Athletic Director's recommendations for penalty assessment should follow the guidelines as listed. An athlete always has the right to due process. During the denial of participation period, the athlete may be required to practice and sit/stand behind the team bench dressed in

appropriate street clothes during contests unless otherwise specified by the coach and/or Athletic Director. All training rules and requirements of the sport (team rules) will continue to be followed.

ALCOHOL SALE OR DISTRIBUTION/ USE DRUG POSSESSION, SALE OR DISTRIBUTION/USE OR POSSESSION OF TOBACCO

Athletes shall not possess and/or use any controlled or counterfeit substance, including but not limited to narcotics, hallucinogens, alcohol, steroids, paraphernalia, or marijuana. Athletes shall not use or possess tobacco in any form.

First Offense -

An athlete found in violation shall be denied participation for 20% of the contests, based on the number of regular season scheduled events.

Second Offense -

An athlete found in violation shall be denied participation in 50% of the contests, based on the number of regular season scheduled events.

If the second violation occurs within the same school year, the athlete will be denied participation for 100% of the contests based on the number of regular season scheduled events.

Third Offense -

An athlete found in violation shall be denied participation from Athletics for one calendar year from the date of the violation.

NOTE: The Athletic Director will maintain records of violations, penalty assessments and other pertinent information for the athletes four (4) years of high school participation.

ATHLETIC INJURIES

Any athlete that is injured during a practice, scrimmage or game should consult with the athletic trainer employed by the school district. The trainer will then determine if the student/athlete requires medical attention. If the student/athlete requires a doctor's attention the athlete will need a doctor's note to return to the playing court or field in order to resume normal activities. Once in a doctor's care, it is beyond the Brooklyn City School District to make a decision on whether or not an athlete is fit for competition unless a doctor's note is provided to the coach and/or Athletic Director. Athletes at the middle school can make an appointment to see the trainer after school. There will be no exceptions to this policy.

All coaches are certified in CPR and are required by the OHSAA to complete a course in Pupil Activity.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

An athlete must be present for at least 1/2 of the school day in order to be eligible to participate in any team activity (practice or game) on the day of absence. Medical appointments, funerals or other emergencies may be excused, if approved by the Administration. If an athlete is absent from school on Friday or the day before a school vacation, he/she may participate in a weekend or vacation contest.

PRACTICE/CONTEST ATTENDANCE

The athlete is expected to attend all team activities as designated by the coach and/or advisor unless excused prior to the absence. Unexcused absences may result in disciplinary action including (but not limited to) loss of playing time or suspension from the team. The coach/advisor will keep records of attendance and inform the parent and Athletic Director when the athlete's absences result in denial of participation.

Practice shall only be "Mandatory" beginning with the Ohio High School Athletic Association's 1st Day of Practice. These dates are published in the O.H.S.A.A. Handbook.

PARTICIPATION ON INDEPENDENT TEAMS

If during the school year, and while a member of a school team or squad, the student participates on an organized team engaged in the same sport, he/she shall be ineligible for any further participation in that sport for the remainder of the season. In addition, athletes who are members of a school team or squad are not permitted to practice or compete on independent teams (in same sport) while their season is in progress.

SQUAD SELECTION

In accordance with our philosophy of athletics and our desire to see as many students as possible participate in the athletic programs in Brooklyn City Schools, we encourage coaches to keep as many students as they can without unbalancing the integrity of the sport. Obviously, time, space facilities, equipment, personal preference, and other factors will place limitations on the most effective squad size of any sport. However, when developing policy in this regard we strive to maximize the opportunities for our students without diluting the quality of the program.

Cutting Policies (BHS)

Choosing members of athletic squads is the sole responsibility of the coaches of these squads (7th through 12th grades).

Prior to trying out the coach should provide the following information: extent of tryout (minimum of 3 Days) and criteria used in selecting the team.

1. A written evaluation will be provided for any student that does not make the team.
2. A conference may be held with the coach to explain the reasons why he or she did not make the competition team
3. "Cut Lists" will not be posted.

Communicating with the Coach

Appropriate issues to discuss with coaches:

1. The treatment of your child, mentally and physically.
2. Ways to help your child improve.
3. Concerns about your child's behavior.
4. Playing time

Appropriate Procedure for discussing issues and concerns with coaches:

1. Call and set up an appointment with the coach. The athlete should be present at the meeting. Do not confront a coach before or after a contest or practice.
2. If the meeting with the coach does not provide a satisfactory resolution, then call to set up an appointment with the Athletic Director. Again, the athlete should also be present for the meeting.

Inappropriate issues to discuss with coaches:

1. Team strategy
2. Other student athletes

If you still are not satisfied, you may call the principal for a meeting.

NOTE: The student athlete should first try to resolve the situation with the coach before the parent becomes involved.

EQUIPMENT POLICY

The participant must return school equipment in the condition it was received, within 3 school days of the last contest. Participants must reimburse Brooklyn City Schools the replacement cost of lost or damaged equipment prior to receiving any athletic awards, report cards or diplomas. A participant must fulfill obligations from previous season before he/she will be permitted to begin participation in any other athletic activities.

TRANSPORTATION

All student athletes must travel to and from athletic contests and scrimmages in transportation provided by the Athletic Department unless coach/ administrator gives prior approval. Athletes will remain with their squad and under the supervision of a coach when attending away contests. All regular school bus rules will be followed: including food, noise, remaining in seats, and care and respect for equipment. Dress appropriately and in good taste. All practices should be scheduled with a specific start and finish time so that all parents can pick up their children in a timely manner.

PARENTAL PERMISSION AND PHYSICAL PARTICIPATION

Athletic participation forms for all participants shall be signed by a physician, the participant, and by a parent or guardian and must be on file in the Athletic Director's office before any candidate for a team may participate in a practice or try out. These forms necessitate the physician's certification of the individual's physical fitness no less than once each school year. Students are encouraged to get their physicals during the summer months. Physicals are good for one calendar year.

RISK OF PARTICIPATION

All athletes and parents must realize the risk of serious injury that may be a result of athletic participation. Brooklyn City School District will use the following safeguards to make every effort to eliminate injury.

1. Maintain a continuing education program for coaches to learn the most up-to-date techniques and skills to be taught in their sport.
2. Instruct all athletes about the dangers of participation in the particular sport.

PARENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ATHLETIC POLICIES

Upon entering Brooklyn City Schools or at the time a student is part of an athletic team, he/she will be presented with this Handbook containing all the necessary forms and information for participating in Athletics.

Each parent or guardian shall read all the enclosed material and certify that they understand the Athletic Eligibility Rules and Policies of the Brooklyn City School District and the OHSAA. This signed document will be filed in the Athletic Director's office.

Insurance

The Brooklyn City School District does not provide any accident or health insurance coverage for student athletes participating in interscholastic athletics. It will be the responsibility of the parents to maintain an active family accident and health policy while their student is participating in sports.

The O.H.S.A.A. has purchased a lifetime catastrophic insurance plan that will cover any athlete who is injured to the extent of, or more than \$25,000 in medical expenses. This is above what accident and health insurance carried by the family pays above \$25,000.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

As a prospective student-athlete, you are expected to seriously accept the responsibility and privilege of representing Brooklyn City Schools and the city of Brooklyn while participating in athletics. School and Athletic Personnel expect you to treat opponents with respect, respect the judgment of contest officials, abide by contest rules, display no behavior that could incite fans or other participants in the contest or which is intended to embarrass, ridicule or demean others under any circumstances, including on the basis of race, religion, gender or national origin; cooperate with officials, your coaches and other participants to ensure a fair contest, and live up to the Brooklyn City Schools Athletic Code of Conduct.

Reasonable Conduct

The Brooklyn City School's Athletic Department recognizes that the safety and welfare of individual athletes and teams are a priority. Therefore, athletes will not engage in any acts of

criminal activity such as, but not limited to vandalism, assault and battery, hazing, theft or other disruptive behavior.

Athletes are also expected to behave appropriately during school and extracurricular activities. Detrimental actions include, but are not limited to, insubordination, repeated absenteeism, fighting, sexual misconduct, negative/apathetic attitude, unsportsmanlike conduct, lying, and inappropriate language or gestures. Any student referred to the office for a school rules violation may be denied the privilege of participation in athletics for a period determined by an administrator.

Recognizing the varying degrees of severity, the type of misconduct, and an athlete's previous record of conduct, each situation will be considered individually. The coach and/or Athletic Director will determine appropriate consequences, which may include denial of participation or dismissal from the team. In all cases, the athlete will have the right to due process and a written record of the incident will be filed with the Athletic Director.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION CONDUCT PENALTY (O.H.S.A.A.)

Any student ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant foul shall be ineligible for all contests for the remainder of that day. In addition, the athlete shall be ineligible for all contests at all levels in that sport until two (2) regular season/tournament contests are played at the same level as the ejection (one contest in football). If the ejection occurs in the last contest of the season, the student shall be ineligible for the same period of time as stated above in the next sport in which the student participates. A student under suspension may not sit on the team bench, enter the locker room or be affiliated with the team in any way traveling to, during or traveling after the contest(s).

A student who is ejected a second time shall be suspended for the remainder of the season in that sport. A student who has been ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct for the second time in a season during the last contest shall be ineligible for a period of time/number of contests subject to the discretion of the Commissioner. The period of ineligibility shall commence during the next sport in which the student participates.

It is the responsibility of the local school authorities to ensure this regulation is enforced. When an ineligible student is allowed to participate, forfeiture of the contest is mandatory. This regulation shall apply to all regular season and tournament contests and shall in no way limit the discretionary authority of the Commissioner as specified in the O.H.S.A.A. Tournament Regulations. In accordance with Bylaw 8-3-1, the decision of contest officials are final.

OTHER ATHLETE EXPECTATIONS (INDIVIDUAL TEAM RULES)

These expectations carry their own set of consequences and when not specifically listed, the coach will set and enforce consequences appropriate to the sport and conduct. Athletes will be notified in writing of the specific expectations for each sport during or prior to the first week

of the season. A copy of these "Team Rules" is to be given to the Athletic Director and approved prior to the start of the season.

ELIGIBILITY

According to OHSAA regulations high school students (grades 9-12) must be currently enrolled in a member school and have received passing grades in a minimum of five (5) one credit courses, or the equivalent, in the immediately preceding grading period. Students in grades 7/8 must be passing 75 percent of their courses.

- You may not use summer school grades for failing grades received or lack of courses taken in the final grading period.
- Your semester and yearly grades have no effect on eligibility.
- Those taking post-secondary school courses must comply with OHSAA scholarship regulations.

In addition to the standards set forth by the OHSAA, Brooklyn Board of Education requires each student to have a minimum GPA of 1.6 from the preceding grading period. If the student has the OHSAA requirement of 5 credits, but not the 1.6 GPA requirement; the student will NOT be permitted to participate.

RESIDENCE

You may attend any public or nonpublic high school in which you are accepted when you enter a high school from a 7th-8th grade school. Eligibility at that school is then established by:

- Participating in a contest (scrimmage, preview or regular season game) prior to the first day of school, or Attending the first day of school at any member school.
- If there is a change of custody, you must live in the same school district as your legal guardian.
- If your parent or legal guardian lives outside of Ohio, you are ineligible unless one of the exceptions to the regulation is met. There are four (4) exceptions to this regulation. You and your parents should arrange a meeting with your principal or athletic administrator to review these exceptions.
- If additional questions remain on the regulations on residence, school principals or athletic administrators should contact the OHSAA.

CONFLICTS IN EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

An individual student who attempts to participate in too many extra curricular activities will, undoubtedly, be in a position of a conflict of obligation.

The Athletic Department recognizes that each student should have the opportunity for a broad

range of experiences in the area of extra curricular activities; and to this end, will attempt to schedule events in a manner so as to minimize conflicts.

Students and parents have a responsibility to do everything they can to avoid a continuous conflict. This would include being cautious about belonging to too many activities where conflicts are bound to happen. It also means notifying the coach and /or faculty sponsors involved immediately when a conflict does arise.

When conflicts do arise, the coaches and /or sponsors involved will get together and work out a solution so the student does not feel in the middle. If a solution cannot be found, then the Principal and Athletic Director will have to make the decision based on the following:

- 1.The relative importance of each event.
- 2.The relative contribution the student can make.
- 3.How long each event has been scheduled.
- 4.Talk with parents.

In-season athletes (O.H.S.A.A. sponsored sports) shall not be permitted to attend an open gym (field, court, etc.) by coaches of an out of season sport.

VACATION POLICY

Vacations by athletic team members during a sports season are extremely discouraged. Parents/Athletes wishing to do so may wish to reassess their commitment to being an athlete.

In the event an absence due to a vacation is unavoidable, an athlete must:

- 1.Be accompanied by his/her parents or guardians while on vacation.
- 2.Prior to the vacation, make contact with the head coach.
- 3.Be willing to assume the consequences of suspension from game(s) and/or status on the squad as a starter, 2nd string, 3rd sting, etc.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Once eligibility has been established at a member school, those who transfer to a different school will be ineligible for athletics for one year from the date of enrollment in the new school.

- There are seven (7) exceptions to this regulation. To see if you qualify for an exception, you and your parents should arrange a meeting with your principal or athletic administrator and review The OHSAA Transfer Bylaw brochure prior to transferring schools.
- If additional questions remain on the regulations on transfers, school principals or athletic administrators should contact the OHSAA.

SEMESTERS OF ENROLLMENT

After establishing ninth-grade eligibility, you are permitted eight (8) semesters of athletic eligibility. The semesters are taken in order of attendance once ninth-grade eligibility has been established. Semesters are counted toward eligibility whether you participate in interscholastic athletics or not. Those with a disability may qualify for an exception to this regulation and should arrange a meeting with the principal or athletic administrator to review the exception.

AGE LIMITATIONS

High school students (grades 9-12) who turn 19 years of age prior to August 1, are ineligible for interscholastic athletics.

Seventh- and eighth-grade students' who turn 15 years of age prior to August 1, are ineligible for 7th-8th grade athletics but are eligible to participate in high school athletics.

Those with a disability may qualify for an exception to this regulation and should arrange a meeting with the principal or athletic administrator to review the exception.

AMATEUR STATUS

You will lose your amateur status and forfeit your eligibility if you:

- Compete for money or other monetary compensation.
- Receive any award, equipment or prize of monetary value greater than \$100 per item.
- Capitalize on your athletic fame by receiving money or gifts of monetary value.
- Sign a professional playing contract in the sport in which you had participated.
- Sign with a professional agent (Ohio law).
- Fail to return equipment or uniforms issued by a school or non-school team or organization when the season for that sport is over.

FALSE INFORMATION

If you compete under a name other than your own or provide a false address, you immediately become ineligible.

OPEN GYMS/ FACILITIES

School officials may designate open gyms or facilities and the sports to be played. You may participate in open gyms or facilities provided:

- No one is limited from participating.
- No one is required to attend.
- No school officials invite selected students or determine the teams.

- No timing or written scoring is kept.
- No coaching or instruction is provided. The session is conducted by the Senior athletes or potential captains.
- No one is restricted from observing.

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**Violating these rules may result in you being declared ineligible for a maximum of one (1) year.*

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

You may attend camps, clinics and workshops that involve team play any time between June 1 and July 31. There is no limit on the number of students from the same school team that may participate on the same non-school team from June 1 to July 31. You may receive instruction from a coach from a school team only:

- During the season of the sport, or
- For 10 days only from June 1 to July 31.

You may receive individual skill instruction from a non-school coach at any time during the year in individual or group lessons.

Members of a school football team may play in non-contact football contests and attend non-contact team football camps at any time between June 1 and July 31. Remember, however, that the 10-day regulation for instruction from school coaches is in effect.

PARTICIPATION ON NON-SCHOOL TEAMS

You may not try out, practice or participate in a contest with a non-school team while a member of a school team in the same sport.

- In individual sports, however, you may practice and try out for a non-school team but may not compete in a contest.

Those in team sports may try out, practice and compete on non-school teams before and after the school season provided:

1. The number of students from the same school on the roster of the non-school team is limited to five (5) students in the sports of soccer; four (4) students in the sports of baseball and softball; three (3) students in the sports of volleyball and two (2) students in the sport of basketball. School football team members are prohibited to compete on non-school teams except from June 1 to July 31.
2. You have no contact with school coaches while on a non-school team (other than the 10 days permitted between June 1 and July 31).

- *Violating these rules during the school season may result in you being declared ineligible for the remainder of the school season.*
- *Violating these rules outside the school season may result in you being declared ineligible for the next season.*
- *Violating these rules by a senior may result in that student being declared ineligible for the remainder of the school year.*

RECRUITING

You will be declared ineligible if you are recruited by a person or group of persons to change schools. This may also affect the eligibility of the school team.

STUDENT CONDUCT AND EJECTION POLICIES

You are expected to accept seriously the responsibility and privilege of representing your school and community while participating in interscholastic athletics. As a student-athlete, you are expected to:

- Treat opponents, coaches and officials with respect.
- Display no behavior that could incite fans or other participants in the contest or which is intended to embarrass, ridicule or demean others under any circumstances including on the basis of race, religion, gender or national origin.
- Remember that winning isn't everything. Having fun, improving your skills, making friends and doing your best are also important.

The OHSAA has established a policy for students ejected for unsportsmanlike behavior. If you are ejected, you:

- Will be ineligible for all contests for the remainder of that day.
- Will be ineligible for all contests at all levels in that sport until two regular season/tournament contests are played at the same level as the ejection (one contest in football). You also may be subject to additional penalties by the school.

If you are ejected a second time in a season, you are subject to additional, stiffer penalties, including suspension from play for the remainder of the season in that sport.

The complete OHSAA ejection policy for unsporting behavior can be found in the OHSAA Handbook.

BOOSTER CLUB

The Booster Club is organized to assist the Board of Education in providing funds and equipment for all athletic programs. Without the thousands of dollars generated by the Booster Club, uniforms, equipment, and facilities would not be what they are today. The Booster Club needs the help of the parents! Please assist the Booster Club by helping in anyway possible.

You are also invited to attend Booster Club Meetings, which are held on the First Monday of every month during the school year. The Athletic Department and School Administration are thankful for your help and the help of the Booster Club in their excellent dedication to the young people in our school district.

FUNDRAISERS

In addition to the Booster Club, some sports may participate in additional fundraisers. Participation in these fundraisers is not mandatory. The Principal and Athletic Director must approve all fundraisers before they take place.

TICKET PRICES

Student and adult ticket prices are \$5.00 for Varsity and Junior Varsity events. Freshman and Middle school events are \$3.00. Tournament ticket prices are determined by the OHSAA and are currently \$6.00. Presale student tickets will be available for all varsity/JV events. They will be sold for \$4.00 at BHS/BMS.

Season Passes are available for high school events only. If interested please contact BHS for more information at (216) 485- 8155.

VARSITY LETTER REQUIREMENTS

Each coach reserves the right to set the standards for lettering in his/her particular sport. (Suggested sport specific lettering criteria can be found on page 35 of the coaches handbook.) In all sports, the athlete must complete the season as a squad member in good standing, and must attend the banquet in order to receive an award (unless granted permission by their coach prior to the event). At the beginning of each season, the coach shall provide the criteria for lettering in their respective sport/activity.

Summary of Athletic Awards

9th Grade Award

1st Year Junior Varsity Award

2nd Year Junior Varsity Award

3rd Year Junior Varsity Award

1st Year Varsity Award

2nd Year Varsity Award

3rd Year Varsity Award

4th Year Varsity Award

4 Year Award

Graduation Numerals

Junior Varsity Letter

Certificate of Participation

Certificate of Participation

Varsity Letter and Metal Insert

Service Bar and 2nd year plaque

Service Bar 3rd year plaque

Service Bar 4th year plaque

Plaque (must participate for 4 years)

NOTE: an athlete receives Only 1 varsity letter. If an athlete letters in multiple sports, he or she will only receive a Gold Service Bar.

PATRIOT ATHLETIC CONFERENCE SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD

This award is given to the highest accumulative average by a player who earned a varsity letter in that sport. The average must be at least a 3.0 and seniors are considered first. Also, you must have an outstanding discipline record.

ALL-LEAGUE AND ALL-STATE AWARDS

These awards are voted on by coaches from other conferences. In some cases (i.e. All State), the media is involved in these selections.

ATHLETIC CODE OF CONDUCT CONTRACT

I have read and understand the Brooklyn City Schools Athletic Code of Conduct. I also

realize that each coach will distribute written expectations specific to the sport that are also guidelines for participation. By this signature, I also agree that I will be subject to its regulations.

The Athletic Code of Conduct and expectations of the coach are in effect twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, for the duration of the season.

This contract must be signed and returned to the perspective coach before an athlete may participate in any team activity.

Participants Printed Name

Participant's Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

Address

City

Zip Code

Phone Number

Parent Email

Student Email

Sport (Primary)

Sport (Secondary)

Please list your legal residence. You must also notify the school if you have a change of address. Failure to do so could result in ineligibility for the athlete and for his/her team. This form should be turned in to the perspective coach.