

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 150
Co-Curricular Activities/Student Participation Fees

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It shall be the policy of the Hawley Public Schools to require payment of student participation fees for student participation in activities and athletic programs.

Those activities and athletic program fees shall be reviewed at the annual reorganization meeting of the Board of Education, and recommendations for adjusting fees will be considered at that time.

The annual fee schedules will be published by the Office of the Superintendent and included as part of the fall information mailings to parents and students.

Rationale: The payment of participation fees in the Hawley Public Schools is instituted to help defray the costs of supplies, coach's salaries and other activity program needs. These fees in no way cover the entire per-student cost of the program.

The payment of fees will not change any relationships currently found in participation, such as increasing playing time, access to coaching decisions, scheduling, or other changes that may or may not be assumed. Participation fees are paid by a majority of student athletes throughout the State of Minnesota in order to continue to defray the rising costs associated with these programs.

Fee Payments: The participation fee must be paid in the High School Office before an athlete is ever allowed to practice. No fee, no practice, unless other arrangements have been made and agreed upon in writing in advance of the first day of practice. The fee should accompany the MSHSL participation agreement. Receipts will be issued.

Family Limits: Individual families will not incur activity fees in excess of \$100.00 per school year, regardless of the number of participants from one family involved in fee-required activities.

Hardship or Financial Need: No student will be excluded from participation in a "fee activity" due to financial hardship or inability to pay. The school will determine financial hardship together with the family involved. In those cases, students desiring to participate will be asked to work at certain school activities that require the assistance of workers. This method will meet the financial obligation of the payment of a participation fee, in lieu of a cash payment. Examples of such work opportunities would include Community Education Summer programs, Hot Shot Tournaments, or other events or opportunities deemed acceptable by the Athletic Director and High School Principal. Failure to meet this obligation will forfeit future participation until the work is performed in some fashion. This method of fee payment, in lieu of a cash payment, would be figured at the minimum wage hourly rate and will accrue until all fee limits are met.

Reimbursement of Fees: Participants who choose to quit a "fee activity" after fee payment will be reimbursed their fee if the decision to quit is made and reported to the head coach and or Athletic Director before two calendar weeks have passed since the first day of practice. Quitting after the first two calendar weeks of practice forfeits the entire participation fee.

Ineligibility: Students who become ineligible for part or all of a season due to academics or Minnesota State High School League violations are not entitled to receive fee reimbursements should they choose to quit as a result of ineligibility, and two weeks has elapsed from the first day of practice. Should ineligibility cause a student to quit an activity before the two weeks has elapsed, then a full reimbursement will be issued.

Shared Programs: Fees will be required of all participants involved in Hawley activities, regardless of pairing or sharing agreements that may or may not call for fee payment in the home district.

Student Activity Participation Fees (2021-22)

	<u>Varsity, JV, B Team & 9th Gr. Elementary</u>	<u>Junior High</u>
<u>Fall</u>		
Football	\$75	\$50
Volleyball	\$75	\$50
Cross Country	\$75	\$50
<u>Winter</u>		
Basketball	\$75	\$50
Wrestling	\$75	\$50
Dance Team	\$75	Not Offered
<u>Spring</u>		
Track	\$75	\$50
Golf	\$75	\$50
Baseball	\$75	\$50
Softball	\$75	\$50
<u>Activities</u>		
Pop Singers	\$75	
Jazz Band	\$75	
Musical	\$75	\$50
One-Act Play	\$50	
Three-Act Play	\$50	
Speech	\$50	
Knowledge Bowl	\$50	
Solo/Ensemble Contest	\$50	
Science Olympiad	\$50	
“Elementary” Choir		\$35
“Elementary” Musical		\$35

An activity is at no charge if a family maximum of \$375 has been reached, or an individual maximum of \$200 has been reached.

Fees are due in the High School Office before the first practice/rehearsal. Fee payment is required before any participation occurs. Receipts will be issued.

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