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PE CREDIT EXEMPTION

The Marysville Board of Education adopted a policy to excuse a student from the high school Physical Education graduation requirement if, during high school, the student has participated in interscholastic athletics, marching band, or cheerleading for at least two full seasons. However, the student shall be required to complete one-half unit, consisting of at least sixty hours of instruction, in another course of study. These policies are governed by rulings from the State Department of Education.

Procedure for documenting Physical Education Exemption:

After completing 2 seasons of a sport(s), marching band, or cheerleading:

1. Complete the top portion of the form (student name, ID, and completed seasons).
2. Take form to the Athletic Director's office for confirmation signature of completion.
3. Return form to the Guidance Office.

*** Please note: You will not receive credit for physical education, rather, you will see the PE Exemption designation on your transcript in the Credit Summary box. This designation will indicate you have met the Physical Education requirement for graduation. You will still need to take another course equal to ½ credit in another curricular area to meet the 21 credit requirement for graduation.**

Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Completed Seasons:

Season 1: _____ Season: _____
(Name of sport, marching band, or cheerleading) (Fall, winter, spring) and year

Season 2: _____ Season: _____
(Name of sport, marching band, or cheerleading) (Fall, winter, spring) and year

Athletic Director Signature: _____ Date: _____

Frequently Asked Questions:

What constitutes a “full season” at Marysville High School?

The criterion for full participation is determined by the Coach/Band Director.

How much Physical Education is required to graduate from Marysville High School?

Students are required to complete one-half unit of credit in Physical Education for graduation. Physical Education courses require a minimum of 120 hours of course instruction to earn one-half unit of credit.

For Physical Education (PE) Exemption, will other activities (show choirs, ROTC, non-school-sponsored athletics, etc.) which involve physical activity on the part of students be counted toward the two semesters of PE?

No. The Ohio Board of Education statute specifically limits the participation to interscholastic athletics, marching band and cheerleading. There is no authority granted to a Board of Education to include any additional activities.

Are there any other requirements students must meet beyond the two full seasons of participation in interscholastic athletics, marching band or cheerleading?

Yes. Exempted students also must complete one-half unit in another curricular area. While one-half unit of PE requires a minimum of 120 hours of instruction, one-half unit in all other curricular areas requires a minimum of 60 hours of instruction. This one-half unit in another curricular area keeps the minimum number of credits required for graduation at 21.

For PE, what is the impact of being “cut”, quitting, or having an athletic/activity code violation?

The statute requires participation “for at least two full seasons.” The season during which a student was “cut,” quit, or had an athletic code violation could not be used to meet the two-season requirement.

If a student participates in only one full season of an approved activity, can the student be excused from .25 units of PE and thus have to take only .25 units of PE to complete his or her PE requirement under the Ohio Core?

No. The statute requires participation “for at least two full seasons.” There is no provision in the law that would permit any type of partial excuse.

If a student has already completed .25 credits of PE, can the student use the exemption for the other .25 credits of PE required for graduation? Yes, but the student would still have to complete 2 full seasons because there is no partial credit allowed by state regulations.