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# **ATHLETICS INFORMATION**

## **DESERT SKY MIDDLE SCHOOL**



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Participating in a  
Sport is a Privilege!



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# Principles of Participation

- Learn how to become a good teammate , making a positive contribution, regardless of the role on the team.
- Experience in problem-solving, decision-making and critical thinking.
- Learn to develop trust and accept the responsibility that comes with earning trust from others.



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# Eligibility

- **Grades are checked weekly (on Monday) by Athletic Director and Head Coach**
- **Student-Athletes must pass all classes the previous week to be eligible the next week.**
- **Parents are encouraged to track their child's academic progress (PowerSchools)**



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# Eligibility

- **1<sup>st</sup> Infraction-Probation-Athlete can still practice and play in games.**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Infraction-Suspension-Students can still practice, but can not compete in games.**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Infraction-Removal from team.**
- **Obviously if a student is struggling, we want them to focus on their academics.**
- **Please track your athlete's grades on Power Schools.**



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In 2015-2016 the Deer Valley Unified School District faced another year of reduced funding by the State Legislature. As a result, and in an effort to balance the district's budget, the DVUSD Governing Board had approved an athletic fee for the 2015-2016 school year. The approved fee is in compliance with legislation passed in 1995, A.R.S. 15-342.24, enabling schools to assess reasonable fees for optional extra-curricular activities and programs. The purpose of the athletic fee is to provide revenue to maintain and operate athletic programs, which exceeds \$2,000,000 per year, for 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade and high school students. These fees collected will help defray the expenses of operating the DVUSD athletic programs.

## 2024-2025 Approved Athletic Fees

7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> grade athlete	\$60 per sport (\$120 maximum per athlete)
9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade athlete	\$100 per sport (\$200 maximum per athlete)
Family	\$300 maximum per family/household*

\* A family or family household is defined by the United States Census Bureau for statistical purposes as "a householder and one or more other people related to the householder by birth, marriage, or adoption."

Please Note: The activity fee is non-refundable



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# Admission to Events

**Basketball: We will be using Go Fan cashless admission system. Please refer to the letter sent home with your athlete for more info**



Desert Sky GoFan Page



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# Transportation to Games

Parents will be responsible to transport athletes to and from all away contests.

Pick up after games or practice:

Please respect the coaches personal time

and pick up your child in a reasonable amount of time





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# Roles in the Program

- Athlete – Participants, Focus of Program
- Coach – Professionals with Philosophy
- Officials – Professionals who administer contests (Please allow them to do their jobs)
- Parents – Fans & Supporters



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# Communication Chain

If issues arise please follow the chain:

1. Student to Coach (We want to teach the athletes how to advocate for themselves)
2. Parent and Student with Coach
3. Parent, Student and Coach with Athletic Director
4. Parent to Athletic Director



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# Communication

## Inappropriate for Discussion:

- Playing Time
- Team Strategy
- Play Calling
- Other Student-Athletes (FERPA)
- Speaking for “other” adults.

## Appropriate For Discussion

- Treatment of your student mentally and physically .
- Ways to help your student improve academically and athletically
- Concerns about your student’s behavior.



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## ROLE OF THE FAN

- **Be supportive of students, teams and school.**
- **Let the officials do their job, let the coaches coach and most importantly let the students play.**
- **Failure to be supportive with negative comments and/or behavior, could result in removal from the competition.**



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# Keys to Success

- Students need good time management skills.
- Parents & students need to communicate with each other.
- Communicate with the coaching staff about issues.
- Understand the expectations increase each year your student progresses in a sport.

<https://www.dvusd.org/desertsky>

**PAYMENT OF:**

**ATHLETIC FEE \$60 TO BE MADE ON THE  
SCHOOL WEBSITE PRIOR TO THE FIRST GAME  
OR MEET.**



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# Thank You

Contact Information for coaches can be found on our website on the sport specific pages.

## Athletic Coordinators

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