

*Keystone Central School District*



**2025-2026**

***EXTRACURRICULAR & INTERSCHOLASTIC  
SPORTS HANDBOOK***



## **MESSAGE FROM THE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT**

Welcome to another exciting year in the Keystone Central School District. We're excited that you have chosen to participate in our extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics, as they're integral components of the educational process. Participation in extracurricular activities, and interscholastic athletics will provide you with many challenging and rewarding experiences; however, we do not want you to lose sight of educational values such as sportsmanship, citizenship, health, character education, and educational attainment. We wish you great experiences and rewards filled with memories and relationships that will last a lifetime. Make it a great year!

## **INTRODUCTION**

For purposes of this handbook, the term "extracurricular and interscholastic" shall mean those activities sponsored or approved by the Board of School Directors but are not offered for credit toward graduation. Such activities shall ordinarily be:

- Conducted wholly or partly outside the regular school day;
- Marked by student participation in the processes of initiation, planning, organizing and execution;
- Available to all students who voluntarily elect to participate;
- Where eligibility requirements are necessary or desirable, the Board of School Directors shall be so informed and must approve the establishment of eligibility standards before they may be operable.

Examples of such activities include, but are not necessarily limited to, intramural sports, interscholastic sports, musical organizations (such as marching band) and cheerleading. A complete list of extracurricular activities and interscholastic sports may be found on the school district website.

This handbook outlines, and explains the policies and procedures set forth by the Keystone Central School District, which will be followed by all students and parents/guardians to develop and maintain consistency within our programs. Any exceptions to these guidelines will be handled individually with the Principal at the middle school and high school and the Athletic Director.

The opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics is a privilege provided by the taxpayers of the Keystone Central community. Participation in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics is a privilege of honor, responsibility, sacrifice, and commitment. It is not a right. Those who choose to participate will be expected to follow all policies, procedures and code of conducts established by the Keystone Central School District, Keystone Central School District Athletic Department as well as any additional rules and expectations set forth by the coaches in their respective sports.

Students who participate in Keystone Central School District's extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics are expected to represent the Keystone Central School District, their team, family, and community in a positive manner. It's expected that all athletes, coaches, staff, families, and fans conduct themselves to uphold a positive image of our programs and the Keystone Central School District at all times.

Bucktail Area Middle/High School, Central Mountain High School, and Central Mountain Middle School are members of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) and therefore are bound by the rules and regulations of that governing body. In addition, Bucktail Area Middle/High School interscholastic teams are a member of District IV, Northern Tier League and Mid-Penn Conference. Central Mountain High School and Central Mountain Middle School are members of District VI and the Pennsylvania Heartland Athletic Conference (PHAC).

## **PHILOSOPHY OF EXTRACURRICULAR AND INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS**

### **The purpose of these activities as they relate to the participant and coach in this District is to:**

- Develop good sportsmanship and appropriate standards of behavior.
- Develop an environment that teaches self-control, self-discipline, cooperation, fairness, and honesty; respect for individual associates and opponents; and leadership and acceptance of the leadership of others.
- Encourage the highly skilled to compete with opponents of comparable skill.
- Develop higher levels of vitality, endurance, strength, and physical conditioning.
- Develop desirable health habits and avoid injury.
- Develop courage, tenacity, resourcefulness, alertness, and maximum effort.
- Develop social expression, feelings of self-worth, life-long recreation skills, and self-expression.

### **The purpose of these activities as they relate to the student body in this District is to:**

- Create an atmosphere of unity; to foster school spirit that will make the educational process more effective.
- Allow the student body to become better acquainted with athletics and to better appreciate the role of spectator.
- Motivate wider sports participation of the student body by providing examples of superior performances.
- Promote good sportsmanship.

### **The purpose of these activities as they relate to the community in this District is to:**

- Provide wholesome objectives of recreational interest.
- Create interest and support for the total school program.
- Educate the community regarding the educational and social values of athletics.
- Support and encourage the will to excel.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Our mission is to cultivate and create leaders within our programs and community.

## **RATIONALE**

Keystone Central School District believes that a dynamic program of student activities is vital to the educational development of our students. Our mission is to provide our students with an opportunity to enrich their educational experience with participation in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics. We are committed to connecting the whole student: academically, socially, emotionally, and physically through intentional preparation and planning throughout the school day and season. We will strive to provide a culture whose foundation is based on leadership, personal growth, diligent action, and character development. We focus on providing opportunities for all students to develop their skill sets through instruction, peer interaction, and competition. While winning is not an end in itself, we believe that our student-athletes' efforts to be their best will lead them to succeed personally, academically, and athletically.

We hope that the individuals associated with the Keystone Central School District's extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics will value character traits developed through participation. We expect all participants to demonstrate respect, responsibility, integrity, loyalty, honesty, school pride, a strong work ethic, and sportsmanship throughout our program.

## **VISION STATEMENT**

Inspire students to strive for excellence personally, academically, and athletically.

## **SEASONAL PARENT-ATHLETE MEETINGS**

The head coach will schedule mandatory parent-athlete meetings for the fall, winter, and spring sports seasons. Student-athletes and their parent/guardian(s) are highly encouraged to attend these meetings. If you cannot attend due to conflicting schedules, you will be responsible for seeking out the information delivered at the team meetings. These meetings will provide the coach an opportunity to review our policies, procedures, and expectations and review the structure of their program and disseminate practice schedules, game schedules, transportation schedules, etc.

Seasonal sports meetings are held in the following month(s):

- Fall – Mid-July/ August
- Winter – Mid-Late October
- Spring – Mid-Late February

## **KEYSTONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT**

To ensure the consistent enforcement of the Keystone Central School District Code of Conduct, it applies to all students participating in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics enrolled in grades 7 through 12. The terms of this policy apply throughout the year to conduct occurring on or off school property. This Code of Conduct shall not prevent coaches or advisors from developing and enforcing other reasonable rules and training regulations specific to their extracurricular activity or athletic sport.

Extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics participants are often in the public eye, so their conduct must always be above reproach. They are always obligated to project a positive image of themselves and the Keystone Central community they represent. Failure can lead to immediate dismissal from the team or activity. A coach/advisor has the authority to levy additional consequences within their program.

Inherent in interscholastic athletics are such principles as an athletic courtesy, ethics, conduct, and player and spectator decorum. For example, each person associated with athletics should exemplify and advocate these principles. The following are guidelines governing the conduct of schools, principals, athletic directors, coaches, students (players and other performers and spectators), and adult spectators.

### **A. The school community should strive for sportsmanlike conduct, such as**

- The development of pride in school and community is a primary goal of the interscholastic program.
- Sportsmanship and fair standards are to be exhibited.
- The rules of the game are to be regarded as mutual agreements.
- Visiting teams are honored guests of the home team and should be treated as such.
- Abiding by all decisions of officials.

### **B. The Principal should provide the leadership in enforcing the athletic code of conduct and should:**

- Heartily endorse the code's provisions and transmit the same (by appropriate means) to the student body, athletes, coaches, and spectators.
- Issue verbal and written instructions to the athletic director to assist in carrying out these provisions.

- Remind coaches that the athletic area is their classroom as an extension of the educational program.
- Be visible at athletic events to indicate support of the program and a readiness to take immediate action, should the situation warrant.
- Properly plan for crowd control before, during, and after interscholastic contests.
- Ensure the hiring of competent officials based on their ability.
- Directly, or by designee, serve as host to visiting school officials, athletic directors, game officials, and spectators.

**C. The Athletic Director should develop all arrangements to ensure that each contest is**

- Conducted in the proper atmosphere, including
- Having a solid and mutual understanding of operations with the principal and the respective coaches.
- Arranging for contests that are educationally and physically sound for the athlete.
- Ensuring the proper game management of all home athletic events.
- Striving to cooperate with all district, school, community, and league entities to maintain a wholesome athletic program.
- Treat visiting teams and officials as guests.
- Meet before the game with game officials to review game operation procedures and provide facilities and privacy for officials.

**D. The coaches should serve as models for those participating in the program and those assuming the spectator role. All coaches should:**

- Adhere to PIAA standards, rules and regulations.
- Demonstrate a professional attitude in the conduct of classroom performance and coaching in this priority order.
- Be people of integrity whose primary concern is for the welfare of the athletes.
- Strive to make each athlete's experience positive, never sacrificing the safety or welfare of an athlete in an effort to win.
- Operate the athletic program within the guidelines of the Keystone Central School District.
- Support the athletic success of all teams and remember that each coach is an integral member of the school and district "team."
- Be instrumental in crowd control. The coaches' behavior must be of the highest caliber, so it does not induce a negative reaction from the players and spectators.
- Develop a code of conduct for players, which is administered fairly and consistently and has been approved by the administration and explained to athletes before the season.
- Be knowledgeable of the game's rules, attending rules interpretation meetings as required.
- Maintain positive relationships with parents and other supporting groups.
- Respect the privacy of the officials before and after the game.

**E. The student-athlete/participant should exhibit leadership in the school system and community. Since athletic participation is voluntary and is a privilege, those chosen to participate must adhere to a code of conduct that operates within a framework of rules and regulations. Those athletes whose conduct falls outside this code will place themselves in a position to be excluded from the athletic program.**

**Athletes will strive to**

- Behave according to all rules and regulations adopted by the coach or supervisor of the activity.
- Exhibit leadership qualities, both in the classroom and in the athletic endeavor.
- Per [Secondary Student Handbook](#) page 40

## **F. An Athlete**

- Will adhere to PIAA standards, rules and regulations.
- Will not consume, possess, or distribute alcoholic beverages, mood-altering substances, or tobacco products as defined by the Keystone Central School District Code of Conduct.
- Will attend every practice session and meeting unless excused by the coach or absent from school with an acceptable excuse.
- Will treat coaches, players, team managers, and officials with respect.
- Will not use profanity or illegal tactics during practices or competitions.
- Will always display good sportsmanship in victory and defeat.
- Will be responsible for all equipment. Any obligation for equipment lost or misused must be paid for at the end of the athlete's season. It is the athlete's responsibility to return all equipment at that time.
- Will not use the athletic area for horseplay or loitering.
- Will be expected to respect and maintain cleanliness in locker rooms, team rooms, and training rooms.
- Will follow team training rules as stated by Athletic Training Staff.
- Will not be involved in hazing of any type.

## **SCOPE OF KEYSTONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT**

Students participating in extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletics will be subject to the following rules listed below:

Students and parent(s)/guardian(s) must download the student-athlete handbook when registering their child for said sport. After reviewing the student-athlete handbook, the student and parent(s)/guardians(s) are required to check the following:

- Must check the “Yes, I Agree boxes that both the Student and Parent have read the handbook and agree to the conditions
- After the boxes have been checked the parent and student must type their electronic signature.

The above information must be complete before the athlete can participate. The penalties imposed against a student for violating any of these rules will be assessed immediately, whether or not they are currently participating in their sport or activity.

## **UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT /DISQUALIFICATION FROM CONTEST**

Student-Athletes are to demonstrate appropriate “on the field” and “off the field” conduct to serve as a quality role model for others.

Students shall behave in a dignified and sportsman-like manner while participating in extracurricular activities. A display of unsportsmanlike conduct, including profanity toward a teammate, coach, advisor, opponent, or official during practice, a contest, or an activity, may result in counseling, disciplinary actions by the advisor/coach and administration, and possible suspension from the program.

The coach will immediately inform the Athletic Director if an athlete representing Keystone Central School District is ejected from a contest. The student-athlete will serve any consequence given by the PIAA without question. The Athletic Director will convene a committee to review all aspects of the alleged infraction. The committee will

consist of the Building Principal, Administrators, Athletic Director, and head coach of the ejected player. The head coach, game officials, and any other individuals who might offer fair testimony on the incident can submit in writing the alleged incident from their perspective. The committee will review all aspects of the testimony offered and determine if the behavior is unsportsmanlike and whether further disciplinary action needs to be applied. An ejection from an athletic contest does not automatically constitute the need for additional discipline. The circumstances surrounding the ejection will be weighed to determine a fair judgment.

All infractions will follow the guidelines recommended and established by the Keystone Central School District Code of Conduct in the [Student Handbooks](#).

### **COACH/ATHLETE/PARENT RELATIONSHIP**

An effective working relationship among the “athletic triangle” of coach, athlete, and parent benefits the quality of each person’s experience. It contributes significantly to the success of the entire team. Establishing this relationship requires that each of the three individuals understands their role in the process and communicates openly and honestly with the other persons.

The coaching staff is responsible for staging a pre-season orientation meeting to open communication channels. At this time, they will cover topics such as the following:

- Introduction and related background experiences of the coaching staff and program support.
- General plans for the upcoming season.
- PIAA, District, school, department, and team philosophies, procedures, rules, and expectations as covered in the handouts.
- Locations and times of practices and competitions.
- Helpful tips on how parents/guardians can best support their child during the season.
- How best to reach the coach (by phone or email) and confirm how best to reach each parent/guardian.

Athletes and their parents are responsible for asking questions to clarify their understanding of any topics discussed at a meeting or published in any other printed material. Athletes and parents are also responsible for confirming mailing addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses and must inform coaches of any anticipated conflicts in the proposed practice/competition schedule.

With this foundation in place, it is anticipated that communication between parties can easily and respectfully be conducted throughout the season. However, the most critical time for the working relationship to be employed is when a concern of conflict arises about an expectation or comprehension of a policy/procedure. Topics **accepted as appropriate for discussion are**

- The athlete’s academic performance
- The athlete’s behavior in school, with the team, or in the general public regarding the team’s reputation.
- The athlete’s role on the team
- The application of PIAA, District, department, and team philosophies, procedures, rules, and expectations for our athletes.
- Suggestions to improve an athlete’s skill acquisition, knowledge, and attitudes relevant to the support.
- Information about recruiting and recommendations about an athlete’s suitability for play at collegiate levels
- Management of injuries incurred by the athlete.

However, there are also topics which **are NOT appropriate for discussion**. These include certain prerogatives for which the coach alone has jurisdiction with the bounds of school district philosophies, regulations, and policies.

- Selection, placement, and determination of playing time

- Other player's roles on the team
- Establishment and enforcement of all guidelines and training rules related to the activity
- Appointment of practice times, dates, and procedures
- Preparation and execution of all travel arrangements for the team
- Creation and implementation of competition strategies
- Management/determination of all awards

In a time of question or conflict concerning an appropriate topic, the following procedures are to be followed in the attempt to resolve the problem:

- Avoid telephone and email discussions if possible. Speak face-to-face with another individual(s) so that complete communication occurs.
- Follow the chain of command:
  - Immediate Coach/Supervisor
  - Head Coach
  - Athletic Director
  - Building Principal
  - Superintendent
  - School Board
- The **first** level of contact should always be between the **athlete** and **coach**; however, this contact should be made at a time other than during practice or competition. Speaking privately in the coach's office or in a place away from other team members is preferred.
- If the problem is not resolved at this primary-level meeting, a conference, which includes the coach, athlete, and parent/guardian, is in order. However, none of these persons should be confronted immediately before or after a practice/competition to discuss the matter; always call or email to set up an appointment. If a coach cannot be reached in this manner, the parent/guardian should contact the athletics office in order to obtain assistance in reaching the coach.
- If a resolution still is not gained after this conference, contact the athletics director for his input as to how to proceed. They will give due process and consideration to all of the involved parties while attempting to bring the matter to a reasonable conclusion.
- If a resolution is not gained after contact with the Athletic Director – we will proceed up the chain of command until we have a reasonable conclusion to the issue at hand.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION**

**Consideration for participation in an interscholastic athletic team and extracurricular activity requires that a student meets the following conditions:**

- Student in the Keystone Central School District
- Student in Approved Schools with a Cooperative Agreement
- Adhere to the Keystone Central School District Code of Conduct
- Satisfy all Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, and Keystone Central School District Eligibility Requirements
- Meet the eligibility requirements by whichever **DEADLINE** listed below comes **FIRST**:
  - 14 days after the PIAA official start date
  - The team's scheduled cut date
  - The team's first scrimmage
  - **A student-athlete is not permitted to join a team after the first PIAA competition.**

*\*\*Student-athletes looking to register after one of the deadlines listed above will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis with the Athletics Department. Extenuating circumstances will be considered – ex. Military Boot Camp, Transfer Student – Injury. Vacations will not be considered an extenuating circumstance. \*\**

F. Complete the Keystone Central School District Eligibility Requirements. The following information must be received by the Athletics Office **BEFORE** the student can participate in practice or interscholastic competition.

**A. Online registration**

- Students interested in participating in athletics in the Keystone Central School District must register for said sport using the district's online registration. The online registration can be found at <https://students.arbitersports.com/keystone-central-sd>
- The deadline for joining a team will be the **14 days after the first official practice date** of the season for the sport in which the student-athlete is going out except for a transfer student.
- LATE REGISTRATION – The Athletic department affirms the need for pre-season mental and physical preparation. ***If a student registers for a sport after the initial starting date, they are not eligible to participate in scheduled interscholastic competition until practice time has matched the missed number of days/weeks***

**B. Submission of PIAA CIPPE Packet (PIAA Constitution and By-Laws: Article 5)**

- Any student wishing to participate in practices, inter-school practices, scrimmages and contests for a PIAA-affiliated sports teams for the first time during the school year must meet the following requirement(s):
  - Complete PIAA physical application (CIPPE) on/after May 1st of said year.
  - Upload PIAA Physical Packet Sections 5 & 6 to the online registration site with the appropriate signatures and dates
- Any student who fulfills the requirements to participate in a PIAA interscholastic sport during a school year and seeks to participate in subsequent sport(s) in the same school year, must complete the recertification questions during the registration process and upload the Dr. Recertification form if needed by the first official day of the subsequent sports season.
- Finally, if the student-athlete is participating in wrestling, they must have established a minimum wrestling weight class utilizing the *National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA)*, *Optimal Performance Calculator* as the mechanism to calculate the minimum wrestling weight. *(The KCSD Certified Athletic Trainers will perform all required testing.)*

**C. Submit a copy of the insurance card**

- It is the policy of Keystone Central School District to require that some form of accident insurance covers all athletes in order for them to participate in any sport with Keystone Central School District. Therefore, it's important that parents or guardians of athletes provide proof of accident insurance coverage to the athletics department.

**ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT PROCEDURES**

**A. Lack of Participation**

Lack of participation in an interscholastic sport may lead to that sport being suspended for that academic year. The first time a game must be forfeited due to lack of participation, or in individual sports such as wrestling, swimming, etc. when a team has no chance of winning at the beginning of the event (due to participation numbers) that sport will be suspended and the coaching salary will be prorated. The athletic council will consider each case separately.

Example: Wrestling less than 2/3 of the listed weights will not be considered a team.

The following are guidelines and expectations that every co-curricular and extracurricular participant must meet. In addition, consequences are also listed should a co-curricular and extracurricular participant not meet the outlined expectations and guidelines.

## **B. Squad Limits and Selection Guidelines**

### **Junior High, Junior Varsity, and Varsity**

The Keystone Central School District values the ideal of maximum participation. Still, the nature of interscholastic sports makes it necessary to limit the roster size in some sports. Tryouts and “cuts” are probably the most painful experience for coaches, students, and parent(s)/guardian(s). While we would like to accommodate every student who wants to participate in a sport, limitations in facilities, coaches, and other resources and safety factors make tryouts and “cuts” necessary.

The head coach and staff are responsible for establishing guidelines for tryouts and “cuts” in their respective sport. Coaches are responsible for submitting their guidelines to the Athletic Department for approval on the date selected for the seasonal coaches' meeting. Once approved by the Athletic Department, this information must be communicated with the parents and athletes at the seasonal parent-athlete meeting and with the athletes on the first official day of practice.

General guidelines must include:

- EXTENT OF TRY OUT PERIOD – 3 DAYS MINIMUM
- CRITERIA USED TO SELECT THE TEAM
- EVALUATION DOCUMENTATION – MUST BE OBJECTIVE – SKILL SHEETS, CHECKLISTS, ETC. MUST BE UTILIZED
- PUBLICIZE THE NUMBER OF ROSTER SPOTS
- CAN NOT CUT ONLY 1 PLAYER
- ATHLETE MUST BE PERSONALLY INFORMED OF THE CUT BY THE COACH AND THE COACH MUST PROVIDE THEM WITH AN EXPLANATION/REASON AS TO WHY THEY WERE CUT/RECOMMEND OTHER ATHLETIC/INTRAMURAL OPPORTUNITIES

A tryout/cut process at the junior high level is not recommended but supported if the number of participants interested exceeds the maximum number of team members listed below.

The junior high coaches will not be solely responsible for the tryout process. The varsity head coach and junior varsity coach must be present during tryouts, assist with the evaluation process and provide their input when discussing selections for the team. Due to their participation in the process, tryouts may be held at a later time to avoid conflicts with junior varsity and varsity practices.

The following Junior High sports are not permitted to be cut:

Football	Boys' Soccer	
Wrestling	Girls' Soccer	JH Softball
Girls' Track and Field	Boys' Track and Field	

The following **Junior High** sports are permitted to cut **BUT** must have a roster size **NO FEWER** than the following:

**JH Girls Basketball/JH Girls Volleyball:**

7<sup>th</sup> grade: 15

8<sup>th</sup> grade: 15

**JH Boys Basketball:**

7<sup>th</sup> grade: 15

8<sup>th</sup> grade: 15

9<sup>th</sup> grade: 15

All “cutting” decisions are at the discretion of the coach(es); however, their procedures must be well communicated, consistent, and fair. The coach(es) may keep more than the minimum number to fill their roster. The coach is not permitted to cut if participation numbers are lower than the minimum listed above.

Missing any beginning-of-the-season try-out or practice sessions because of family vacation is permissible only when the athlete provides written notice of their plans to the head coach at least one week before the first day of official practice/try-outs. **In addition, the athlete must be in attendance for their try-out session(s) for teams that make cuts before the final squad selection has been made.**

Students not selected for a squad may be permitted to try out for another sport during the same season, provided the selection process for that team has not been completed, and the head coach is agreeable to the tryout. The student-athlete must obtain approval from the coach no later than two days after receiving notification that they were not selected for the first sport they attempted to join.

**C. Multi-Sport Participation**

It is the position of Keystone Central School District that a student-athlete who maintains academic eligibility may participate in more than one sport within the same season. Students are encouraged to participate on as many different sports teams as they can during their school careers. **However, for a student to participate on more than one team per season is extraordinarily difficult and most often not in the student's best interest or the team's. Exceptions to this policy require approval from the Athletic director.** The athlete's best interest as a productive student and citizen comes first; however, if an agreement is reached between the Athletic Department, Administration, and the parent, the athlete may participate in two sports under the following conditions.

- A mandatory meeting must occur between the student, the parent, and both head coaches. The athletic director and/or the principal will make the final decision as to the student’s ability to participate in both sports.
- The student must declare a primary sport and a secondary sport.
- The two head coaches, the student, the parent, and the athletic director, must meet to determine a pre-season practice and game event schedule.
- The agreed-upon practice/event schedule takes precedence over schedule changes and conflicts throughout the season.
- Unresolved differences between coaches will be considered and ruled upon by the AD/Principal, with the decision being final.
- **NO appeals will be honored at the board level.**
- **Students wishing to participate in an outside second sport, team, or activity during the KCSD structure season are permitted to do so at the discretion of the parent(s) of a said athlete.** All rules set forth by the KCSD coach are still in effect regarding practice/playing time.

## D. Playing Up

There may be circumstances in which the skill level of a student enrolled at a particular grade level of a sport and the nature of the team/sport/competition warrant the student participating on a team if offered for students of a higher grade. When an initiative to do so is made, PIAA By-Laws must be followed; coaches, parents, the student, and administrators must agree that this move is in the student's best interest. This option is never available to students below the entry-level at which a particular sport is offered. (Example: 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 8<sup>th</sup> grade for a sport with no junior high team.)

## E. Quitting

A student may not quit one activity and participate in another after the first two (2) weeks of practice without discussing this proposed change with the appropriate advisors/coaches and athletic director.

**F. Participation in out-of-season activities KCS D athletic programs.** All student-athletes, coaches, and other personnel will follow the guidelines set forth by the PIAA. (*PIAA Constitution and By-Laws: Article 16*) while meeting with KCS D students, not during the traditional structured PIAA season. Participating must be voluntary and not influence any roster decisions for the upcoming season. Participant and Legal Guardian, both individually and on behalf of minor participant/attendee, acknowledge and agree that they knowingly, freely, and voluntarily assume and accept full responsibility for all risks, both known and unknown, including but not limited to the risk to the participant/attendee of personal injury, disability, death, and property loss, concerning the attendance of and/or participation in off-season events even if such risks arise from the negligence of others which includes the Event sponsors, officers, hosts, officials, employees, agents, independent contractors, directors, volunteers, event owners, all states, cities, counties, or localities in which Event or segments thereof are held, the Keystone Central School District and/or Lock Haven University sponsors, officers, hosts, officials, employees, agents, independent contractors, directors, volunteers, and the Keystone Central School District itself.

## G. Transportation to Activities

The athletic department will make arrangements for all Keystone Central School District Athletic teams, Band, and Cheer travel. The Athletic Director will approve travel routes, time allocations, and any other such necessary arrangements in consultation with the head coaches and bus contractors. Charter buses will not be used for Senior High or Middle School sports. A school bus will be used no matter what the mileage is. However, at times, the bus contractor may send a charter if there are no available school buses for athletic transportation. Districts & Inter-State playoffs will be given consideration for Charter Buses. The athletic department does reserve the right to request a passenger coach bus or request additional transportation given extenuating circumstances or deemed necessary by the Athletic Director/Principal.

Cheerleaders attending Varsity, Junior Varsity, or Junior High events will be provided space on the team or band bus; however, they will be seated as a group with their advisor at the front of the bus.

It is expected that all student-athletes will use school-provided transportation to travel **TO** and **FROM** activities away from Central Mountain and Bucktail campuses. There are several reasons for this procedure, but safety, security, and legal liability are foremost. The school district recognizes that there are **exceptions for extenuating circumstances** that may be approved by the Athletic Director/Principal. For those circumstances, the following procedures must be followed:

- All students wishing to ride home from an event with their family may do so, but **ONLY** with their parents or legal guardian.

- Students are expected to provide their coach with a written note excusing them from traveling back to their home school with their parents or legal guardian.
- Students who require another family to transport them home due to **extenuating circumstances** must receive approval from their coach and Principal/Athletic Director. The Principal/Athletic Director has the final decision and will approve the request if they and the coach have a written note from **BOTH** the parent or legal guardian **AND** the family with which the student is riding home.
- Off-season transportation for camps/ clinics or other functions where transportation is requested, payment will be responsible for the booster club program, not KCSD.
- Efforts and good judgment by the Athletic Director are to be made in decisions on the number of buses necessary for the student and equipment transportation.

## H. Meals and Lodging

Lodging will be provided for PIAA state playoffs and PIAA State tournaments **ONLY**. We will only provide lodging for those who are participating and coaches. No meals will be provided. However, efforts will be made to provide students with a bagged lunch if requested three days in advance when participating in a same-day post-season event.

## I. School Athletic Lockers

Student/athletic lockers are school district property. An administrator may search lockers when a reasonable cause exists that a student is concealing evidence of an illegal act, illegal substance, or other violation of school rules. The school authorities may seize any illegal or unauthorized materials found during a search.

Circumstances justifying a reasonable cause search also authorize school district personnel to require students to submit to a thorough search of clothing, handbags, and wallets to seize any unauthorized material. Students who do not cooperate with a reasonable cause search will be suspended immediately from the co-curricular program, extracurricular program, and interscholastic sport. All searches conducted by school personnel shall be consistent with school district policy.

School officials may inspect the content of student lockers as part of routine maintenance inspections.

## J. School-Issued Equipment

The equipment issued for practice and competition should be cared for properly. Loss of equipment or failure to turn in equipment at the end of the season will result in payment to replace it. Student-athletes **are required to return all equipment and uniforms and pay all debts incurred for one sport season before they may begin participating in another season.**

If equipment is not returned in a timely manner:

- The student will be notified by the coach.
- The student will be notified by the athletic director
- The student will be sent an invoice for missed equipment and uniform
- If the items are not returned and payment is not received; the missing items will be turned over to the KCSD Police as stolen property, and the student/athlete may face possible prosecution.

## **K. Senior High Letters and Awards**

The High School athletic programs will award athletic letters, with pins to designate each sport and bars to designate multi-year earnings. Individual head coaches will determine the criteria for earning a letter; inform the student/athlete and Athletic Director of the criteria for their sport before the first game/match of the season. Awards should be distributed to recipients at their team banquets.

## **L. Event Cancellations**

In the event of inclement weather and/or other circumstances that result in a delay, early dismissal, or the cancellation of school, the athletic events, practices, and meetings will abide as follows:

An official determination regarding the status of practice, meetings, home and/or away events will be made by the Athletic Director with the consultation of school administration by 1:00 PM and announced by the Athletic Director. The decision is final. If a contest is canceled later than 1:00 pm, the Athletic Director will make every effort to communicate that with the coaches, players, parents, media, and community. In the event of school closure due to inclement weather and the building being closed, no athletic events, practices, or workouts will be held that day.

## **M. Post-Season Qualifications**

Athletic teams must communicate in writing with the Athletic Director and complete any necessary District VI post-season tournament paperwork one week before the district entry deadline. Athletic teams will automatically qualify for districts if the team record/winning percentage is .400 or better. Any team interested in participating in districts with a winning percentage below .400 must submit a written request to the Athletic Director, including reasons to support their request to enter the district tournament. The letter must be submitted no later than the week of the district entry deadline. The Athletic Director will review and discuss with Administration, and Superintendent will then approve or disapprove the request based on the information provided. Athletic teams that win districts or meet specified qualifications will advance to regional and state tournaments; if and when applicable.

Athletic teams that are individualized by nature (cross country/track and field/wrestling) must meet District 6 qualifying standards to participate in districts. Student-athletes will advance to regionals and states if they either win districts or qualify by meeting the specified standards. If either the leagues in which Central Mountain or Bucktail are participating provide a different criterion for league championships, then teams may compete if they meet the league requirements.

## **N. Athletic Training Staff,**

The Keystone Central School District is most concerned for the health and safety of its student-athletes. We believe that proper care of injuries is critical to the students in the athletics program. The school district provides certified athletic trainers to furnish care and rehabilitation of athletic injuries. However, given the size of the athletics program, it may be impossible to provide coverage at every scheduled event. The athletic office will make every effort to see that your sport receives attention based on the available personnel. Sports judged to be **high injury-risk sports** will receive primary coverage. In the event a certified trainer is not present, the coach in charge of the activity will assume responsibility.

## O. Concussion Recognition and Management

Keystone Central School District will comply with the National Federation of State High School Associations guidelines for managing concussions in sports. Keystone Central School District's contracted Athletic Trainers will oversee treatment and will conduct Return to Play Protocol as per UPMC Susquehanna Policy.

Below is an example of a return to physical activity program; **however, each case will be treated individually by our Athletic Trainers in accordance with UPMC Susquehanna's standing orders.** The National Federation of State High School Associations guidelines can be found at the conclusion of this document (pages 27-32).

### **Concussion Protocol (Return to Play):**

After suffering a concussion, no athlete should return to play or practice on that same day. An athlete should *never* be allowed to resume play following a concussion until symptom-free and approved to resume physical activity by an appropriate healthcare professional. Once an athlete no longer has signs or symptoms of a concussion and is cleared to return to activity by an appropriate health-care professional, they should proceed stepwise to allow the brain to re-adjust to exercise. In most cases, the athlete should progress no more than one step each day, and at times each step may take more than one day. Below is an example of a return to physical activity program:

### **Progressive Physical Activity Program (ideally under supervision)**

**Step 1:** Light aerobic exercise- 5 to 10 minutes on an exercise bike or light jog; no weight lifting, resistance training or any other exercises.

**Step 2:** Moderate aerobic exercise - 15 to 20 minutes of running at moderate intensity in the gym or on the field without equipment.

**Step 3:** Non-contact training drills in full uniform – students may begin weightlifting, resistance training, and other exercises.

**Step 4:** Full contact practice or training.

**Step 5:** Full gameplay.

If symptoms of a concussion recur, or if concussion signs and behaviors are observed at any time during the return-to-activity program, the athlete must discontinue all activity immediately. Depending on previous instructions, the athlete may need to be re-evaluated by the healthcare provider, or may have to return to the previous step of the return-to-activity program.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

Note: All required forms and notifications are expected to be submitted by the announced deadlines. Further details and updated PIAA rules and regulations referred to in the section are available online at [www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org).

### A. Academics

#### **WEEKLY ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY**

1. Academic eligibility is based on-current course grades. Eligibility reports will be run Friday morning of each week or on the morning of the last day of school for the week.
2. When a student is **failing one (1)** or more than one subject of all subjects taken, their name will appear on the weekly academic eligibility list.
3. BHS/BMS/CMMS students **failing one (1)(due to block scheduling)** course and CMHS students **failing two (2)** courses must work on educational material or tutoring for the first 30 minutes of practice. A

student must sit for the first 30 minutes of practice for the upcoming week. **12:00 am Sunday through 11:59 pm Saturday (see below for an example). They are permitted to participate in competitions.**

4. Any BHS/BMS/CMMS student failing more than one course and any CMHS student failing more than two courses will meet with the Athletic Director to discuss their eligibility for the following week. Any BHS/BMS/CMMS student failing more than one course and any CMHS student failing more than two courses by 3 pm on the day of the academic eligibility checks will be academically ineligible for one week. Students must contact their teachers with discrepancies in their grades. If a said discrepancy exists, their teacher must update the grade in the digital grading system by 3pm Friday, the day eligibility reports are run.
5. Ineligibility period will begin at midnight Sunday and through 11:59 pm Saturday (see below for an example). **Ineligible student-athletes are not permitted to attend extracurricular events/activities during the ineligibility period (practice, home contest, away contest, tournament, etc.). Ineligible student-athletes should not be transported to or from an event using school transportation or be dismissed early for team events.**
6. Any student enrolled in classes outside of KCSD will be responsible for weekly eligibility checks. The student will provide the athletics office a weekly signature from their course instructor by noon on Monday for the prior week's work. Students will follow guidelines and consequences listed above if eligibility requirements are not met or eligibility check is not submitted to the athletics office.
7. The Athletics Secretary will inform the coaching staff of academically ineligible student-athletes via email. The coaching staff will have a conversation with all ineligible student-athletes and explain the ineligibility consequences. The head coach (or designee) will contact the player's parents regarding ineligibility for the player.
8. Weekly eligibility sheets will not be run for one week at the start of each marking period and/or semester due to the small number of grades available at that time. Weekly eligibility sheets will be run the second week of each marking period and/or semester.
9. If the teacher and/or student are absent, the grade currently reflected in PowerSchool will be used to determine eligibility.
10. All mitigation procedures will be followed in regards to illness or diseases based on current district safety plans. Each instance will be monitored on a case by case basis.

#### **ELIGIBILITY AT THE END OF A MARKING PERIOD/SEMESTER**

1. BMS/BHS/CMMS students not passing **two (2)** courses, and CMHS students not passing **three (3)** courses at the end of a marking period or semester, will be ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities, extracurricular activities and/or interscholastic athletics for **fifteen (15)** school days of the next marking period, beginning on the day that report cards are issued.
2. BMS/BHS/CMMS students not passing **two (2)** courses at the end of a marking period or semester, and CMHS students not passing **three (3) courses** at the end of the marking period or semester, will be ineligible to participate in co-curricular activities, extracurricular activities and/or interscholastic athletics for **fifteen (15)** school days of the next applicable sport season or activity during the next school year. **The student may attend a district approved summer school program or other academic program in the failed subject area and must receive a passing grade to be eligible and not serve the fifteen (15) day suspension.**

**WEEKLY ACADEMIC INELIGIBILITY EXAMPLE:**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 Students ruled academically ineligible. Can still participate	7 Can still participate
8 12am Ineligible	9 Ineligible	10 Ineligible	11 Ineligible	12 Ineligible	13 Ineligible Academic review completed- If eligible, students can participate again beginning on Sunday. If not, the same process will continue.	14 Ineligible
15 12am Eligible	16 Eligible	17 Eligible	18 Eligible	19 Eligible	20 Eligible	21 Eligible

**KEYSTONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SUPPORT STRATEGIES for PLANNED ABSENCES**

Please refer to the tips below as a regular best practice when missing instruction.

**Student-Athletes: Plan to connect with your teachers before the season & share your schedule.  
 If you are struggling with a class, communicate with your teachers, counselor & coaches ASAP.**

Student Strategy / Communication Guide		
Before	During	After
<p><b>Before my absence I...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bookmark each of my teacher’s online resources for quick reference</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Inform my teacher via email, or in person, in advance, regarding my absence</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Make a “to-do” list of work that will be missed during absence from teacher’s online resource or from direct communication</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ask my teacher if I could sit in during another class to compensate for the one I will be missing</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Email and/or meet with my teacher to offer several times (before/after school, study hall, or over lunch, etc.) to make up the assignment in person</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> May <b>ask for an extension in advance</b> rather than waiting until it is due or past due if I know I can’t meet the deadline</li> </ul>	<p><b>While I am absent I...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Use the district wifi (when available) to complete my work</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Email my teacher if I have questions</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Get in touch with a reliable classmate while I am away</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Take and use reading or other materials with me on the bus/van that I will need to study or prepare for class</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Touch base with students/teammates who share similar classes and/or teachers to clarify work and discuss questions</li> </ul>	<p><b>When I return back to school I...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Turn in work that was due while I was out</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Check Schoology for any missing work or indicators that I missed something</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Check in with a reliable peer and my teacher regarding missed work</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Review notes or other class materials that may help me understand missed instruction</li> </ul>

## **B. Age - (PIAA Constitution and By-Laws: Article I)**

1. A student-athlete may not have reached their 19th birthday by the date of June 30 that immediately precedes the beginning of the school year.
2. In sports where interscholastic competition is limited to grades 7 through 9, the student-athlete may not have reached their 16th birthday by the date of June 30 that immediately precedes the beginning of the school year.
3. In sports where interscholastic competition is limited to grades 7 and 8, the student-athlete may not have reached their 15th birthday by the date of June 30 that immediately precedes the beginning of the school year.

## **C. Amateur Status - (PIAA Constitution and By-Laws: Article II)**

1. To be eligible to participate in a sport, a student must be an amateur in that sport. A student loses amateur status in a sport if the student, or the student's parent(s) or guardian(s), receives money or property for or related to the student's athletic ability, participation, performance, services, or training in a sport.
2. A student may accept awards from the student's school or the student's school-affiliated booster club, the sponsor of an athletic event, a non-profit service organization approved by the student's school Principal, or the news media. Permissible awards are items of apparel, a blanket, watch, ring, scroll, carry-on or warm-up bag, photograph, medal, plaque, or similar award, with appropriate institutional insignia or comparable identification. The fair market value of items provided to any such student may not exceed \$200.
3. Students may only receive consideration for their own name, image, and likeness (NIL) per PIAA Bylaws - Article II - Section J.

## **D. Attendance - (PIAA Constitution and By-Laws: Article III)**

Given that the competition is extremely keen among KCSD students to be selected for a position on a team's roster or to achieve a starting role on one of our teams, it is expected that students who are successful in gaining these opportunities utilize their participation to its fullest capacity. Missing practice or competition may hinder an athlete's individual skill, attitude and knowledge development; weaken his/her role on the team; and affect the team's performance and chances of success.

1. A student must be regularly enrolled in a secondary school in full-time attendance. A student is eligible only at the school at which the student is enrolled. Exceptions exist for home-schooled students and students enrolled in Charter or Cyber Schools.
2. A student must be in attendance at school by **9:00am** in order to attend or participate in an activity, practice or contest that day. An exception will be made if the student has a written excuse from the parent *and* a building administrator in conformance with the school district's attendance policies and guidelines approves the written excuse. **Examples of acceptable reasons to be late are health care appointments, and family/personal matters.**
3. Any unlawful absence, whether ½ day or full day, a student/athlete will not be permitted to practice or participate in an athletic event on that day. Administrators and coaches have the right to add further consequences and restrictions depending on the number of attendance infractions.

4. Any student/athlete who **accumulates 10** or more excused, unexcused, or unlawful throughout the entire school year (excluding doctors excused or educational trips) absences will meet with an administrator or designee to determine eligibility for participation.
5. Per PIAA Constitution and By-Laws, a student who has been absent from school during a semester for a total of twenty (20) or more school days, is **ineligible** to participate in an Inter-School practice, scrimmage, or contest until the student has been in attendance for a total of forty-five (45) school days following the student's twentieth (20th) day of absence. A PIAA district committee may consider an exception when there is an extended absence because of approved reasons.
6. If a student is absent on the last day of school before a competition, practice, or any event, the student is **ineligible** unless the student receives permission from a building Principal and the Athletic Director to participate. Consideration will be given when the student provides the administration with a written excuse from the parent. Acceptable reasons for not being in attendance the last school day before a competition or an event on a non-school day include: approved dental, legal, or medical appointment, field trip, educational trip, or death in the immediate family. Every effort should be made to make prior notification of the intended absence well in advance of the actual absence date. The coach will call the parent/guardian.
7. **Post-Season Eligibility**, according to the PIAA By-Laws, is based on an athlete's attendance at their school's practices and competitions: **Article IX, Section 5 states**,

"A student who participates as an individual or as a member of a team in a sport in an athletic program other than that of student's school, who is enrolled at a school having a team in that sport, shall be ineligible to participate in the District or Inter-District Championship Contests in that sport unless the student has been in uniform and available to participate as a member of the student's school team in that sport for at least 75% of the regular season contests; and if a student's practice in an athletic program other than that of the student's school does not meet the practice requirements of the student's school as determined by the Principal, the student shall be ineligible to participate in the District or Inter-District Championship Contests in that sport.

**E. Period of Participation - (PIAA Constitution and By-Laws: Article VIII)**

A student-athlete is eligible for practice or participation in interscholastic athletics upon entry into seventh grade. A student-athlete loses eligibility when the student-athlete has reached the end of the student's fourth consecutive year beyond the eighth grade. If the student repeats a grade after eighth, the student will be ineligible as a senior. Students are limited to six seasons beyond the sixth grade or four seasons beyond the eighth grade in any sport.

**F. Participation of Charter School Students in PIAA Athletics**

Secondary students attending a charter school of the Keystone Central School District shall be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics if:

1. Said school does not offer a particular sponsored interscholastic sport and an approved cooperative sponsorship has been established.
2. Must participate at said school in which they would reside and regularly attend
3. Transportation to and from scheduled practices and events is the responsibility of the parents of the students. Students must be transported to said school for departure to away competitions.

Each student shall be required to follow the rules of the team, the policies of the Keystone Central School District, and the rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) with their participation.

### **G. Participation of Secondary Homeschooled students in PIAA Athletics**

Homeschooled secondary students residing in the Keystone Central School District shall be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics.

1. They must participate at the school they reside in and regularly attend.
2. Transportation to and from scheduled practices and events is the responsibility of the parents of the students. Students must be transported to said school for departure to away competitions.

Each student shall be required to follow the rules of the team, the policies of the Keystone Central School District, and the rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) with their participation

### **H. Transfer Students**

It's the responsibility of the student transferring into the school district to notify the Athletic Department of their intent to participate in athletics. The Keystone Central School District will abide by the PIAA's policy regarding student transfers. Please view the PIAA's Constitution and By-Laws for further information regarding their student transfer policy. The handbook can be found at <https://www.piaa.org/resources/handbook/default.aspx>.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **A. SPECTATOR DECORUM**

There are a variety of popular activities for Keystone Central students to attend throughout the year. When you attend an athletic contest, a play, a competition, a field trip, etc., you assume the role of spokesperson for our school. Your actions are viewed, and family, friends, opposing fans, the local community, the media, and those participating in the event hear your comments. Always be respectful and project your school in a positive light. Support your peers with encouragement and enthusiasm, and remember that all school rules apply across all these environments.

We expect that you will use good judgment in fulfilling your responsibility as a school representative, thereby displaying sincere pride in yourself, your school, and your community. Your words and your actions will identify you as a leader and supporter of your peers. You may be removed from the event if your behavior does not meet these expectations. The provisions of the school discipline code will be enforced if applicable.

A ticket is a privilege to attend, observe and support scholastic sports.

The following rules of sportsmanship serve as a behavior guide for spectators at KCS D athletic events. We hope that they offer you direction and guidance that help to make the contests enjoyable and educational for all in attendance.

- Learn the rules of the sport so that you may understand and appreciate the action that takes place.
- Show respect for the opposing players, coaches, spectators and cheerleaders. Treat them as you would treat a guest in your own home.
- Encourage our athletes to perform their best by applauding good performances and accepting that mistakes are sometimes made. Remember that athletics are a learning experience and praise your classmates for assuming the risk of testing their abilities in the open field, court or arena of play.
- Exhibit respect for the integrity and judgment of contest officials. Understand that they are doing their best to help and promote the student-athletes and admire their willingness to participate in full view of the public.
- Use only those cheers/chants and gestures that support and uplift the teams involved. Discourage any that would redirect that focus by antagonizing the teams or drawing attention away from the game.
- Demonstrate concern for an injured player regardless of the team.
- Sit in appropriate sections of the arena, stadium or gym that may be designated for student fans.

Actions meant to demean opposing contestants, teams, spectators, officials, and game event staff is not in the highest ideal of interscholastic education and will not be tolerated. Spectators who display unacceptable behaviors will be subject to, but not limited to, a verbal warning, removal from the event and premises, consequences subject to the school code, and banishment from attendance at athletic events for a period of time or even permanently.

Students and spectators are not permitted to bring personal sporting equipment or toys, such as footballs, basketballs, or soccer balls, of anything of that nature into an athletic event. All items will be confiscated and may not be returned. Please leave all personal items at home to alleviate any issues with horseplay throughout an event. **Student spectators who display unsportsmanlike conduct at any activity will be subject to disciplinary action, including loss of privilege to attend events.** If a student is removed from a contest, they will be required to complete a Free NFHS Sportsmanship Course and provide a certificate of completion to the Athletic Director / Principal or designee prior to being permitted to attend another contest.

**B. Admission Fees**

Admission fees will be charged for the following sporting events:

- Football
- Volleyball
- Girls & Boys Soccer
- Girls and Boys Wrestling
- Girls & Boys Basketball.

Admission fees for ***regular season contests*** will be as follows:

***Junior Varsity/Varsity***      *Adult \$5 Student \$3(KCSD STUDENT FREE WITH ID)*

***JV Only or Junior High Only***      *Adult \$3 Student \$2 (KCSD STUDENT FREE WITH ID)*

***All postseason admission fees are set by PIAA District 4 and District 6.***

**C. Athletic Passes**

*Passes must be purchased either online using a credit or debit card. You will receive a QR code that can be scanned at the gate. Any individual misusing a sports pass will have their pass revoked. Ex –giving the pass to another student and family member to use.*

Annual Student Pass .....	\$15.00
Annual Adult passes for Central Mountain .....	\$50.00
Central Mountain Fall Sports Pass .....	\$35.00
Central Mountain Winter Sports Pass .....	\$35.00
Annual Adult Pass for Bucktail Area .....	\$30.00
Employee Annual Pass .....	\$25.00
Senior Citizen Pass .....	Free

**D. Athletic Admission Cards**

Athletic admission cards can be issued to each active school district employee who works 16 or more hours per week for a minimum of 9 months per year; and to each board-approved volunteer coach wishing to purchase one for **\$25.00** per card. The card will admit the employee only. The distribution of the cards is to be handled through the Athletic office.

**E. Senior Citizen Pass (Gold Card)**

The Golden Ager pass is available free of charge to those residents of Keystone Central School District residents who are 62 years of age and are retired. Applications can be picked up in the Athletic and Administration offices. The pass admits one person to all Keystone Central School District events that do not involve reserved seats. The pass is non-transferable. The pass is only for KCSD sponsored athletic events.

