

# 2025-26 Opportunity Gap Reduction Plan

School District: South Whidbey School District

High School: South Whidbey High School

ASB Card Possession Opportunity Gap %: -45%      Gap Plan Required? ☐

Extracurricular Participation Opportunity      Gap Plan Required? ☒  
Gap %: 25%

*The intent of ASB Card Possession/Extracurricular Activity Gap Plan is to reflect on and identify additional barriers that prevent students who are from low-income households from participating in optional, noncredit extracurricular activities such as clubs, school events, and athletics. Please share your ASB and athletic fee data with your ASB student council before filling out this gap reduction plan. Gap Plans for 2025-2026 are required for either Opportunity Gaps over 5%.*

## 1. Our school used the following approaches to determine barriers to ASB card possession and/or extracurricular participation:

Survey students on their participation ☒

Survey parents on their students' participation ☐

Evaluate required factors for participation ☒

Compare school data to other schools with similar demographics ☒

Conduct a cost benefit analysis of offerings ☐

Other:

We did an all school Athletic Interest Survey for all enrolled students.



**2. What are some of your students' barriers to student possession of ASB cards?**

Interest ☐

Timing ☐

Identifying eligible students ☐

Communication/Marketing ☐

Cultural responsiveness/Awareness ☐

Other:

N/A

**3. What are some of your students' barriers to student participation in extracurricular activities?**

Transportation ☐

Cost ☒

Timing/Schedule ☒

Availability/Options ☒

Communication/Marketing ☐

Cultural responsiveness/Awareness ☐

Interest ☒

Other:

Top 4 survey responses in order with most common response when asked why they did not participate in athletics:

#1 - I am not interested in sports.

#2 - I am too busy with school.

#3 - I have to work.

#4 - I have family responsibilities after school.

**4. Describe the action steps the school/district will take to reduce the opportunity gap in student possession of ASB cards and/or participation in extracurricular activities for the upcoming school year.**

After reviewing the gap plans from the last few years along with this years survey results we have seen a dramatic improvement from our communication about financial assistance and that is no longer a primary barrier for those not participating in sports.

Unfortunately we have little control of the two most common reasons, students not interested in sports, and too busy with other commitments. That being said we are going to continue to do the follow to try and get more students to engage in athletics:

We are going to continue with our communication program adjustments that lowered the gap previously by making sure parents and students that are new to needing more support know what is available, as well as letting families know what sports are available.

Going forward we are going to combine our Sports Fair with our annual Club Fair to help reach as many students as possible. We will have flyers and registration information available as well as team captians and coaches available to answer questions to help them learn more about what is offered as well ask coaches about how having a job and sports can work together. This will also include access to things such as fee waivers, links to the free public transportation schedules, how to get affordable Sports Physicals, and how to contact coaches and Readiness to Learn for help with sport specific supplies when applicable.