

377.1 - TOURNAMENT ATTENDANCE

Coach Attendance

1. Coaches/advisors employed as faculty whose participant(s) are eligible for WIAA State Tournament competition are required to supervise their participants in Wisconsin WIAA Tournaments. These coaches will be given professional leave time to perform these duties. In sports with four or less participants, the head coach and one additional selected coach will be allowed to use professional leave time.
2. Coaches whose participants do not qualify for WIAA State Tournament competition may attend a Wisconsin State WIAA Tournament in a sport they coach, but all costs are the responsibility of the individual coach. The school will not be responsible for any costs.
3. Coaches with qualified participants shall use professional leave.
4. Subject to administrative approval, the contracted head varsity WIAA member coach of a team without participants and one additional assistant coach selected by the head varsity coach may be allowed to use professional time to attend state tournament competition in his or her specific contracted sport, but must cover all their own personal expenses.
5. Assistant coaches without participants and not selected by the head varsity coach for attendance must use personal time should they wish to attend tournament competition. These coaches are also personally responsible for all expenses.
6. All coaches attendance at tournament competition is subject to administrative review.
7. Volunteer coaches attendance and housing will not be paid by the district's Fund 10.

Student Attendance

1. Non-competing students in the Senior High School (9-12) who regularly participate in a given varsity sport but failed to qualify for State competitions will be allowed an excused absence from school while in attendance at a State WIAA Tournament in that sport when an Auburndale High School team or participant is officially competing. Such students must be squad or team members at the end of that sports season.
2. The school accepts no responsibility for the cost, safety or activities of students attending the WIAA Tournament, unless they are a participant in the tournament.
3. The arranging of transportation, housing, meals, and tickets of students who are not members of the organization or team is left strictly to the students' parents.

4. The school does not sanction the attendance of non-participating athletes to the WIAA State Tournaments and will accept no responsibility for their safety or conduct.
5. Faculty members will not be school chaperones for non-participating athletes unless approved fan buses are provided.
6. In all student attendance situations, the school administration has the ultimate decision.
7. Managers, band, pep band, and any other organized school group's attendance at tournaments:
 - A. In the event of a qualifying team or a group of two or more wrestlers qualifying for the State WIAA Wrestling Tournament: Because of the format established by the WIAA, managers, up to four, that would attend will be housed for three night's stay. Tickets and the transportation cost to the tournament will be paid for by the school district.
 - B. In the event of a qualifying team to the State WIAA Football Tournament: Transportation and ticket costs will be paid for by the district for football managers, up to 4, attending the state tournament.
 - C. The Advisor/Coach or an approved chaperone for the band, pep band, or any other organized school group will be required to attend and supervise the group while attending any tournament.
 - D. High school band, pep band and any other organized school group's attendance at tournaments will be approved by the school administration. If the band/pep band and/or other organized group is requested to perform, the school district shall provide transportation, admittance, and a set amount for meals. If the band, pep band, and/or other organized school group requests to attend and this request is granted, transportation will be provided with students being responsible for any meals and following WIAA admittance guidelines.
 - E. All plans and decisions are subject to administrative review.

Cross References: 352 - Co-Curricular/Curricular Trip
352 - Co-Curricular/Curricular Trip Exhibit

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