

**Policy Statement #3451 (Student) of the Board of Education  
Regarding the Addition or Deletion of an Athletic Program**

- I. Purpose
  - A. To establish a specific process for determining the feasibility of adding a new athletic program or the rationale for deleting an existing athletic program
- II. Definitions
  - A. Athletic program –A system of interscholastic sports activities, including practices, competitions, and sportsmanship initiatives, that are integral to the educational experience of secondary students that are education-based, governed by consistent rules, and supportive of student development and safety.
- III. Policy Statement
  - A. The Board of Education is committed to offering a range of athletic programs while exercising proper fiscal responsibility within the operation of the entire school system. To that end, a process including specific criteria for consideration will be used to determine whether an athletic program will be added or deleted from Calvert County Public Schools’ offerings and how those changes will be implemented.
- IV. Delegation of Authority
  - A. The Superintendent of Schools is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.
- V. Exceptions
  - A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board by majority vote may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with the pertinent local, state and federal laws and regulations or the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.
- VI. Review
  - A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of four years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.
- VII. Effective Date
  - A. This policy is effective October 9, 2025.

## Citations

State Law:

State Reg.: Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 13A.06.03

Federal Law:

Adm. Reg.:

Neg. Agr.:

Other Citation:

## Related Policy

3450 – Calvert County Public Schools Athletics Program Handbook

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