



BOULDER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

High School

Interscholastic Athletics



Athlete/Parent Handbook

This handbook is to serve as a resource, but may not be inclusive of all policies, guidelines, and laws relative to secondary athletics in the Boulder Valley Schools.

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Purpose Statement and Guiding Principles

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The purpose of interscholastic athletics and activities in the Boulder Valley School District is to serve as an extension of the educational experience by providing competitive-based opportunities for students to learn and develop skills for lifelong success.

Guiding Principles

- We will emphasize the ideals of character, respect, and commitment, which promote the physical, mental, social, and emotional well-being of athletes, coaches, and the school community.
- We will be in compliance with, and adhere to federal and state laws, Board of Education policies, and the Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA) to provide ethical and safe programs.
- We will provide equitable opportunities that reflect the diversity and interests of our student population and community to both increase and enhance participation.
- We will develop and enrich programming to increase participation and promote sportsmanship and character development in an inclusive, enjoyable, and healthy environment.
- We will target the growth and development of students, coaches, and activity sponsors, focusing on leadership, community, and teamwork in a competitive environment.

Role of High School Athletics

BVSD, [Interscholastic Athletics \(Policy IGDJ\)](#)

NFHS, ["The Case for High School Athletics"](#)

NFHS, ["Defining Education Based Activity Programs"](#)

["Teen Sports and Mental Health-10 Mental Benefits of Sports"](#)

ATHLETE/PARENT

Participation Guidelines

[2026-27 CHSAA Sports Calendar](#)

[Sports Offerings by School](#)

[Students Who Are Transgender and/or Gender Non-Conforming \(BVSD Policy AC-E3\)](#)

BVSD Participation Requirements

Athletic registration requirements can be found on the athletic webpage of your participating school.

[Participation Fees](#) (paid through RevTrak)- Participation fees must be paid or waived prior to participation in official in-season practice. Contact your school's athletic department for waiver information.

Expectations for Communication and Behavior

[Player/Parent/Coach Communication](#)

[BVSD Sportsmanship Statement](#) - written by students

[CHSAA Sportsmanship](#)

[The Parent Seat](#)

[Athletic Code of Conduct](#)

[INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES](#)

Media Relations

[Social Media Workshop](#)

[CHSAA Bylaws](#)

Administrative and General Information

CHSAA Constitution

Administrative and General Bylaws

Athletic (sport) Bylaws

Activity Bylaws

Policies

[CHSAA Transfer Resource Guide](#)

[Colorado State Statutes Handbook](#)

Summary

CHSAA participation

Outside competition

Participation opportunities for public and private school students

Home school state law

Home school participation

[Students at a School Without a School Program](#)

[NCAA Eligibility Center](#)

Students wishing to play sports at the college level (NCAA Div. I/II/III) must be certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center. Click on the link above for registration information. You should also notify your school counselor with your intentions at the start of your freshman year.