

To: Cumberland Athletes and Parents

Subject: Athletic Participation Requirements

Forms:

The *attached forms* as well as a copy of a birth certificate are required school or conference information that must be on file at the school before players can travel or take part in games.

The forms are: (1) This Form must be completed **and signed.** (2) Athletic Participation Release Form (3) Physical Exam Form

These are due as follows: Fall Sports- August 1st
Winter Sports- October 15th
Spring Sports- February 1st

Fees:

Because athletics is extracurricular it is not part of the school's budget and therefore must be funded by those who participate. Operating cost are rising as you are aware. Running one or two buses to away games at the current price of gasoline, referees, facility leases, uniforms, equipment, conference fees, insurance, and coaching supplements for Cumberland teachers who give hundreds of hours during a season are all part of what the athletic fees cover.

The fee to play each sport at Cumberland is **\$250** (Cross Country \$100).

Home School Participants:

An additional enrollment/record keeping fee of \$100 is required for high school students to meet conference requirements.

Ads:

In lieu of paying the sports fee, players can sell an ad(s) equivalent to the fee. The ads will appear in our sports programs that will be sold at Cumberland's home games. Along with the ads, the program will feature rosters and team pictures, and will be excellent advertising for area businesses: your family insurance agent, doctor, dentist, realtor electrician, plumber, handyman, etc.

Fees or ads or a combination equivalent to the fee must be in before the first game (*ad insert forms are attached for your use*)

Also, parents of volleyball and basketball players are required to help by working in the concession stand or collecting gate receipts for at least one game. Contact Lynda Wheeler to schedule a time(s) 404-403-1963.

Practice:

It is vital. It is where the game is learned, where talent is honed, where team building is accomplished, where many hours are spent on the court and field, and where games are really won. So parents realize that playing time is not just during games, but also at practice. Not every player is first string every year, but every player is part of the team- learning the game, working on their abilities, and finding their role throughout the season.

Uniforms:

Uniforms are to be laundered according to label instructions to prevent fading, discoloring, and shrinkage. They are the family's responsibility and must be replaced if lost or damaged.

Academic Requirements:

A student must maintain an overall "C" average to participate in extracurricular activities such as sports. This is determined by averaging his grades on a report card during a single grading period. If the student falls below a "C", participation will be suspended for three weeks when his/her grades will then be reviewed.

Student's Name

My child has had a physical and is physically fit to practice and I (we) commit to the above.

Parent /Guardian's Signature

Date