

High School Athletic Participation Fees

The High School athletic participation fee in the Denver Public Schools has not increased since 2002. During those 16 years the numbers of students participating has continued to increase and the cost to run programs has also increased. In order to continue to expand programs and offer the level of programming that currently exists across the district, athletic participation fees will increase moving into the 2018-2019 school year.

Even with this increase, the athletic participation fee for the 2018-2019 school year will be one of the lowest in the Metro Denver area and the athletic director's ability to waive fees for students who may have a financial hardship regardless of FRL status ensures all students will have access to athletic programs in Denver Public Schools.

Starting with the 2018 -2019 school year high school athletic fees will be increased as follows:

- **\$90.00** per sport season if paid and registered on-line)
- **\$100.00** per sport season if paid and registered at school
- **\$30.00** per sport season if approved FRL paperwork is completed and submitted and payment and registration is completed and submitted on-line
- **\$35.00** per sport season if approved FRL paperwork is completed and submitted and payment and registration is completed and submitted at school
 - FRL rates are available for any DPS enrolled student that submits FRL approval paperwork

Exceptions:

An athletic director may waive the fees for any student, or work with any student to put together a payment plan. Students who want to participate will **NOT** be denied the opportunity to participate because of financial constraints; however, students must meet with the AD and ensure all agreements for payment are clear and understood by both parties at the start of each season where alternate arrangements are being made.

These additional funds will be used to help cover:

- Increased CHSAA membership costs
- Increased officials fees
- Increased costs of transportation
- Increased costs of trainers
- Increased payroll for additional coaches
- Increased costs to maintain and purchase equipment and uniforms
- Support on-going growth of programs across the district
- Additional costs for technology and online registration platforms

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your school athletic director.