



NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL FINE ART ACTIVITIES

Authorization and Eligibility Guidelines 2018-19

- This package contains:
1. Permission and Acknowledgement Form
 2. General Information
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 4. MSHSL Policy

INSTRUCTIONS: - Return this attached sheet, **signed by both student and parent**, to the High School Activities Office. This form must be returned prior to participation of the student in any activity.

1. Permission and Acknowledgement This form is required and must be signed by the parent and student after reading all information on the form and the attached pages.
2. General Information/Policies For information and future reference including MSHSL Rules

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

1. **ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY: Northfield High School Policy adopted June, 2008**

The purpose of this academic eligibility policy is to monitor, motivate and assist the students who participate in co-curricular activity programs, in order for the student to be academically successful. While the school's co-curricular programs are a vital part of the total education of our students, our primary mission is academics.

Students will become Academically Ineligible if they receive:

1. More than one (1) failure on quarter grades at the end of 1st & 3rd quarters.
2. One (1) or more failures on semester grades.

While academically ineligible a student may practice with the team or activity but may not participate in MSHSL interscholastic athletic, academic, or performing arts competitions. The same consequence is in effect for those students participating in non-MSHSL activities (no public performance) for the duration of the consequence. If a student regains eligibility after a period of ineligibility the student is not guaranteed his/her original role. The role will be determined by the coach/advisor/director.

Ineligibility:

When declared academically ineligible: the student will become academically ineligible for the next two (2) MSHSL games/competitions or non-MSHSL competitions/performances and/or two (2) weeks whichever is greater. At the beginning of the season, practice and conditioning weeks are counted.

Academic Probation:

Immediately following the period of ineligibility the student will enter a period of 15 school days of academic probation. During academic probation the student is fully eligible. If the student is making successful progress (passing) all classes after 15 school days they are no longer on academic probation. If the student is failing in one or more classes they will again become ineligible, but this time for six (6) games and/or three (3) weeks, whichever is greater.

Enforcement Procedures:

1. Grades of all co-curricular participants will be checked at the end of each quarter and semester.
2. As soon as grades are released at the end of each grading period, students who will become ineligible will be notified, as will their parent/guardian and coach/advisor.
3. A student who is returning to Northfield High School after having dropped out, or is transferring from Northfield High School to the ALC after dropping out, or is returning to the ALC after having dropped out and had more than one failing grade for the last full quarter of five or more credit-bearing classes is academically ineligible. A student in these situations must complete a full quarter of work carrying five classes with no failures to be eligible for participation in co-curricular activities.

Additional ALC Policy:

The following pertains to students of the Alternative Learning Center (ALC) who are participants in the Northfield High School (NHS) Activities Department.

1. ALC students must maintain a completion rate of 60% of the hours required each quarter in order to remain eligible to participate.
2. If a student transfers from a NHS class to an ALC class the grade they are earning in the NHS class transfers with them. That grade will be averaged in with the ALC grade for the quarter or semester. A student cannot transfer to the ALC in an attempt to remain academically eligible.
3. At the end of each quarter and semester, the ALC will report to the Activities Office the names and completion rates of all ALC students participating in NHS Activities programs. Those who fall below the 60% completion rate will become academically ineligible.
4. Students not carrying a full course load each quarter will be ineligible until the student is enrolled in five credit-bearing courses.

Additional Home School policy:

The person responsible for the education of a home school student must inform the Activities Director if the student is making unsatisfactory progress toward graduation. This information must be sent at the end of each grading period, if the student is a participant in any Northfield High School co-curricular activity.

Incompletes:

An incomplete(s) not changed to a passing grade(s) by the end of the second week of the succeeding quarter will become a Failure for the purposes of Academic Eligibility. If this results in ineligibility, the student will be ineligible for the remainder of that quarter. Ineligibility will be waived if the student does not have an incomplete at the end of the succeeding quarter and does not have more than one failing grade. Exceptions may be made for incompletes which are caused by extenuating circumstances.

Exceptions to the above will be made in the following circumstances:

1. Students in special education may have different standards written into the IEP upon the approval of the student's special education teacher, the Activities Director and Principal. Eligibility standards for these students may be waived if that student has made every possible effort to meet the standards.
2. A plan different from the above could be written to meet the individual needs of a particular student. This would only occur if it could be shown that the above plan is not working or has not worked, or in some other way is inappropriate. Such a plan must be approved the parents, Activities Director and Principal.

Students involved in the following activities must meet Academic, Chemical & Code of Responsibilities Eligibility Standards:

All Athletic Activities	Chess	Math Team	Student Council
Band	Choir	Orchestra	Mock Trial
Music Listening	Drama	R.A.L.I.E.	Speech
Academic Challenge	Cheerleading	Science Olympiad	Rock 'n Roll Revival

2. **CHEMICAL ELIGIBILITY RULES: Northfield High School Policy adopted June, 2008**

Philosophy and Purpose: We at Northfield High School care about the well-being of our students. We recognize that the use of alcohol, tobacco and other mood-altering chemicals has a negative impact on the health of the individual, their performance, and their team's or group's ability to function effectively. The chemical eligibility rules are designed to promote and encourage a chemically-free lifestyle and to provide a fair and meaningful consequence when the rules are broken, with the main intention being to help the student.

Northfield High School (NHS) adheres to MSHSL Bylaw 205 including all (NHS) additions underlined below.

Policy: During the calendar year:

1. A student shall not at any time, regardless of the quantity:

- A. use or consume, have in possession a beverage containing alcohol;
- B. use or consume, have in possession tobacco; or,
- C. use or consume, have in possession, buy, sell or give away any other controlled substance or drug paraphernalia.

2. **Penalties for Category I Activities**

Definition - Category I Activities: Those League-sponsored activities in which a member school has a schedule of interscholastic contests, exclusive of League-sponsored tournaments.

- Athletic Activities
- Fine Arts Activities
 - 1) Debate
 - 2) Speech Activities including One Act Play - when a school schedules a season of interscholastic contests.

A. **First Violation Penalty**

The student shall lose eligibility for the next two consecutive interscholastic contests or *two weeks, 14 calendar days*, of a season in which the student is a participant, whichever is greater. In addition, the student must meet with and be screened by a school district drug counselor. In order for the student to resume competing in interscholastic contests, a report of attendance from the school district drug counselor must be reported to the Activities Director.

B. **Second Violation Penalty**

The student shall lose eligibility for the next *six consecutive interscholastic contests or three weeks, 21 calendar days*, whichever is greater, in which the student is a participant. In addition, the student must meet with and be assessed by an approved outside drug agency (approved by the Activities Director). In order for the student to resume competing in interscholastic contests, a report of compliance to the required assessment from the drug agency must be received by the Activities Director. All costs for any assessment done by an approved outside agency shall be the responsibility of the student and his/her family.

C. **Third or Subsequent Violation Penalty**

- 1) The student shall lose eligibility for the next *12 consecutive interscholastic contests or four weeks, 28 calendar days*, whichever is greater, in which the student is a participant.
- 2) A student who chooses to become a participant in a treatment program may become eligible for participation after a minimum period of six weeks after entering treatment if all of the following conditions are met:
 - a) The student is assessed as chemically dependent, and
 - b) enters treatment voluntarily, and
 - c) the director of the treatment center certifies that the student has successfully completed the treatment program.Successful completion of a chemical dependency treatment program will satisfy only the most recent violation. Any other violations for which the penalty has not been satisfied must still be served in full

D. **Applying the Penalty**

- 1) Penalties shall be progressive beginning with the student's first violation and continuing throughout the student's high school career. Penalties shall be served consecutively.
- 2) Violation Confirmation Definition: The violation shall be confirmed when the administrator responsible for the athletics/activities program has informed the student that the student has violated a bylaw and is now under the penalty. The notification shall be verbal and also in writing.
- 3) Counting Weeks:
 - a) The weeks shall begin on the date that the violation is confirmed by the school administrator and extend for the required number of calendar days.
 - b) For the purpose of this bylaw, a week is seven calendar days. The week starts the date the violation is confirmed.
 - c) At the beginning of the season, practice and conditioning weeks are counted.
 - d) The student must participate in and complete the entire season in which the penalty has been applied for the penalty to count. As examples: a student can not begin participation in a program at the start of the season, serve the penalty and then quit after the suspension has been served; nor can a student join a program after the season has begun, and serve the penalty.
- 4) A student who is under penalty for a violation of a League bylaw may not join a second sport in the same season in order to fulfill a penalty.
- 5) Practices, jamborees, inter-school scrimmages and previews are not interscholastic contests and may not be counted, however, the student is eligible to participate.
- 6) A student who participates in both Category I and Category II activities shall serve the penalty prescribed for that violation in both Category I and Category II activities in which the student participates.
- 7) If student regains eligibility after a period of ineligibility the student is not guaranteed his/her original role. The role will be determined by the coach/advisor/director.

3. **Penalties for Category II Activities**

Definition - Category II Activities: Those League-sponsored activities in which a member school does not have a schedule of interscholastic contests, exclusive of League-sponsored tournaments.

- Fine Arts and Academic Activities
 - 1) Speech activities including One Act Play when a school schedules no interscholastic contests and participates only in the League-sponsored tournament series.
 - 2) Music Activities.
 - 3) Visual Arts Activities.
 - 4) Chess, Academic Challenge, Math Team, Mock Trial, Music Listening, Fall Play, One Act Play, Rock 'n Roll Revival, Spring PlayPenalties for Category II Activities are identical to those listed for Category I. Interscholastic contests in Category I are identical to public performances and/or contests in Category II.

In addition:

1. A student who is guilty of an offense after being named or elected as a team captain can no longer be a captain and will not receive any awards associated with being a captain.
2. MSHSL Bylaw 304.B.1 (Denial Penalty): A student who denies an offense and is allowed to participate and is subsequently found guilty of the offense, will be disqualified from all interscholastic contests for nine (9) additional weeks beyond the student's original period of ineligibility.

CODE OF RESPONSIBILITIES: Northfield High School Policy adopted June, 2008

All students represent our school and community. Therefore, good citizenship is required for participation in co-curricular activities. Because of their visibility and status as role models, proper conduct and abiding by school rules, MSHSL rules, local and state laws are expected of all students. Good citizenship also applies to respect for the rights and property of all individuals and respect for those who enforce the rules of our school and the law of the community. We believe that students do know the difference between appropriate and inappropriate behavior. However, in order to ensure understanding, The Student Code of Responsibilities of the Minnesota State High School League is used to explain the basic concepts of good citizenship and appropriate behavior and the policy outlined below defines our expectations in more specific terms. It is the responsibility of students in our activity programs to behave in a way that makes the school and community proud to have him/her represent us as a member of a Raider team and/or activity.

MSHSL Student Code of Responsibilities

The member schools of the Minnesota State High School League believe that participation in interscholastic activities is a privilege which is accompanied by responsibility.

As a student participating in my school's interscholastic activities, I understand and accept the following responsibilities:

I will respect the rights and beliefs of others and will treat others with courtesy and consideration.

I will be fully responsible for my own actions and the consequences of my actions.

I will respect the property of others.

I will show respect and obey the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.

I will show respect to those who are responsible for enforcing the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.

Penalty: A student who is under penalty of exclusion, expulsion or suspension or whose character or conduct violates the Student Code of Responsibilities is not in good standing and is ineligible for a period of time as determined by the principal.

POLICY

A. Any student who is assigned in-school suspension or out of school suspension for any time period shall not participate in student activities that day or evening.

B. Activity participants are required to make a strong academic effort in the classroom. In addition, student-athletes and activity participants will demonstrate respect for teachers and fellow students, positive attitudes, sincere efforts and good attendance. This expectation applies both to in season and out of season student-athletes and activity participants.

C. Activity participants are expected to be trustworthy. It is absolutely necessary to have team members that can be trusted in the locker room, on the field, court, pool or gym, stage, on the bus to and from events and anywhere else he/she is apart of team activities. Activity participants indicating they cannot be trusted may be dismissed from that team.

D. Activity participants representing Northfield High School are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will allow their team, coaches, school, parents or community to be proud of them. Behavior that negatively impacts the reputation of the school and/or community at any time or anywhere will not be tolerated. Gestures or comments, disrespect, defiance, insubordination towards teammates, game officials, opponents, coaches, spectators, school personnel, etc. will not be tolerated.

E. Activity participants are expected to demonstrate good citizenship and behavior in the community at all times. Behavior should be positive so that it brings credit to the student-athletes, activity participants, their activities and their school.

If it is determined that a student-athlete/activity participant demonstrated negative behavior in the classroom, an activity in or out of school, or in the community, consequences may be imposed. When such behavior does occur, the coach/advisor, activities director and assistant principal will discuss the matter with the student. Depending on the visibility and seriousness of the incident, consequences may include any combination of the following:

suspension from games, practices, loss of letter points, loss of captain's position, dismissal from a team or activity, in-school or out of school suspension. A penalty may count in the sequence of MSHSL violations.

Examples of inappropriate behavior that will likely result in a penalty: (This list is in no way all inclusive)

-Theft

-Hosting a party where alcohol or other drugs are being used

-Disrespect to a teacher or other staff member

-Vandalism

-Cheating

-Attending an event knowing that illegal activity will take place and that the purpose for attending for most students is to participate in that illegal activity. (Example: End of the year class party)

-When a student receives a penalty or suspension for a violation of school code of conduct policies or a violation of MSHSL bylaw 206-Good Standing, the student and his or her family shall have the opportunity to have a review of the penalty or suspension by the high school principal or designee.

STEROID AND SUPPLEMENT POSITION Students should not use creatine, androstenedione, ephedrine or other performance enhancing nutritional supplements as defined by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) www.wada-ama.org except under the care and direction of a licensed medical professional and only then in the manner prescribed by the medical professional and manufacturer's recommendations. In order to minimize the health and safety risks to student-athletes, maintain ethical standards and reduce liability risks, school personnel and coaches should never supply or recommend the use of any drug, medication or food supplement solely for performance-enhancing purposes. School personnel and coaches will not dispense any drug, medication or food supplement except when the student is under the care of a doctor and only as prescribed. Even natural substances in unnatural amounts may have short-term or long-term negative health effects.

STUDENT/COACH EJECTION FROM A CONTEST

Penalties:

Any student or coach disqualified from an interscholastic contest by game officials will be ineligible at the minimum for the next regularly scheduled game/meet at that level of competition and all other games/meets in the interim at any level of competition.

The second violation carries a minimum of four (4) regularly scheduled game/meet ineligibility.

If penalties are imposed at the end of the sport season and no contest remains, the penalty is carried over in that particular sport until the next school year. In the case of a senior, the penalty will continue to the next sport season. Student: Anytime a student-athlete is ejected from a game/meet, he/she cannot participate the remainder of that day. The student is also suspended at the minimum from the next scheduled, rescheduled, or contracted date at Consequences greater than the minimum penalties may be imposed depending on the reasons for ejection.

Coach: Anytime a coach is ejected from a game/meet, he/she does not coach the remainder of that day. The coach is also suspended at a minimum from the next scheduled, rescheduled, or contracted date at that level of competition and all game/meets in the interim at other levels of competition.

Appeal: A basketball coach may appeal the penalty only when he/she is disqualified for technical fouls and his/her actions did not contribute to the disqualification. The appeal will be heard by the local school administration. A complete report must be sent to the League for review.

5. **ATTENDANCE POLICY:** In order to practice, rehearse, compete or perform in any NHS co-curricular activity, the student must be in attendance that day for a minimum of four class periods. Pre-arranged absences with the approval of the assistant principal or Activities Coordinator will be considered an exception to the policy. All coaches/advisors are to explain this rule to the participants at the beginning of their season. Coaches/Advisors are expected to enforce this policy.

5. **INITIATIONS/TEAM GATHERINGS:** No teams or activity groups are to hold initiations or other similar events which are designed to become "part of the team". Team gatherings and activities to build team unity are important and are encouraged; however, for safety and liability reasons to

prevent hazing and/or harassment, initiation events must not be held. Students who violate this rule – both those who conduct the initiation and those who take part – will be suspended from competition for a minimum of the next two events/contests.

6. **TRAVEL RELEASE:** All student/athletes are expected to ride to and from all events with the team. The only exceptions to this will be in special situations where the student/athlete rides with their parents or another parent. This will only be allowed with the written permission of the parents. If possible this should be done in advance.

MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY RULES

AGE A. Students who participate in the Adapted Athletics Program shall be under 22 years of age. A student under age 22 who has started a sport season will be permitted to complete that sports season.

B. A student who turns 20 during the 11th or 12th semester since first entering the 7th grade shall be allowed to participate through the completion of the 12th semester.

AMATEUR A student must be an amateur in that sport. A student may not receive cash or merchandise for athletic participation. A student does not lose his/her amateur status because of reimbursement for officiating, instructing, teaching or coaching a sport.

AWARDS BYLAWS Acceptable awards to students in recognition of participation in high school activities include medals, ribbons, letters, trophies, plaques and other items of little or no intrinsic value (\$100.00 or less). Violation will render a student ineligible for participation in any activity of the League.

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY TEAMS Individuals who have participated with a college or university team are ineligible for participation in any activity of the League.

ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE, AND REQUIRED SUBJECT LOAD Students must be officially enrolled in (as defined by the Minn. Dept. of Education) and attending the school before they are eligible to represent that school in MSHSL sponsored activities. Students are eligible for participation if enrolled in the high school from the beginning of the semester. Students enrolling after the semester begins will gain eligibility at the start of the third week or on the 15th calendar day after enrollment. Students must be properly registered, attending school and classes regularly, and enrolled in the required number of credits.

GRADE LEVEL ELIGIBILITY Participation in League-sponsored programs is limited to students in grades 7 through 12. Students in grade 7, 8, and 9 may participate only if they are enrolled in a continuation school for that high school.

SEMESTERS ENROLLED. Students shall be eligible for participation in League-sponsored activities for twelve consecutive semesters (six years) beginning with their initial entrance into the 7th grade. Counting Semesters: The student has twelve consecutive semesters for participation whether the student chooses to participate or not, and regardless of whether the student remains fully enrolled or not. The twelve consecutive semesters begin with the student's initial entrance into the 7th grade.

CHEMICAL/TOBACCO USE/ABUSE See Northfield High School Policy #3 under General Information

RACIAL/RELIGIOUS/SEXUAL HARASSMENT/VIOLENCE

A. Definitions

1. Racial Harassment consists of physical or verbal conduct relating to an individual's race when the conduct a. has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working or academic environment; or b. has the purpose or effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance; or c. otherwise adversely affects an individual's employment or academic opportunities.

2. Racial Violence is a physical act of aggression or assault upon another because of, or in a manner reasonable related to race.

3. Religious harassment consists of physical or verbal conduct relating to an individual's religion when the conduct:

- has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working or academic environment
- has the purpose or effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance; or
- otherwise adversely affects an individual's employment or academic opportunities.

4. Religious Violence is a physical act of aggression or assault upon another because of, or in a manner reasonable related to religion.

5. Assault is:

- an act done with intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death; or
- the intentional infliction of or attempt to inflict bodily harm upon another; or
- the threat to do bodily harm to another with present ability to carry out the threat.

6. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which violates Sect. 703 of Title VII of the Civil Right Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 20003, et. Seq., and Minnesota Statutes Sections 363.01-.14, the Minnesota Human Rights Act.

a. Sexual harassment consists of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct or other verbal or physical conduct or communication of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment is illegal but may or may not be criminal activity.

b. Sexual harassment may include but is not limited to: 1) verbal, written/graphic harassment or abuse; 2) subtle pressure for sexual activity; 3) inappropriate patting or pinching; 4) intentional brushing against the individual's body; 5) demanding sexual favors accompanied by implied or overt threats concerning an individual's employment or educational status; 6) demanding sexual favors accompanied by implied or overt promises of preferential treatment with regard to an individual's employment or educational status; 7) any unwelcome touching of a sexual nature.

2. Sexual violence is a physical act of aggression that involves the touching of another's intimate parts, either above or underneath the other person's clothes, or forcing another to touch one's intimate parts, either above or underneath one's clothes. Intimate parts, as defined in Minnesota Statutes 1990, Section 609.241, include the primary genital area, groin, inner thigh, buttocks, or breast of a human being. Sexual violence is a criminal activity.

a. Sexual violence may include, but is not limited to: 1) touching, patting, grabbing or pinching another person's intimate parts, either same sex or opposite sex; 2) coercing or forcing sexual touching on another; 3) coercing or forcing sexual intercourse on another; 4) threatening to force sexual touching or intercourse on another.

3. Hazing: a. Hazing means committing an act against a student, or coercing a student into committing an act, that creates a substantial risk of harm to a person, in order for the student to be initiated into or affiliated with a student organization, or for any other purpose. The term hazing includes, but is not limited to: 1) any type of physical brutality such as whipping, beating, striking, branding, electronic shocking or placing a harmful substance on the body. 2) Any type of physical activity such as sleep deprivation, exposure to weather, confinement in a restricted area, calisthenics, or other activity that subjects the student to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the mental or

physical health or safety of the student. 3) Any activity involving the consumption of any alcoholic beverage, drug, tobacco product or any other food, liquid or substance that subjects the student to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the mental or physical health of the student. 4) Any activity that intimidates or threatens the student with ostracism, that subjects a student to extreme mental stress, embarrassment, shame or humiliation, that adversely affects the mental health or dignity of the student or discourages the student from remaining in school. 5) Any activity that causes or requires the student to perform a task that involves violation of state or federal law or of school district policies or regulations. B. "Student organization" means a group, club or organization having students as its primary members or participants. It includes grade levels, classes, teams, activities or particular school events. A student organization does not have to be an official school organization to come within the terms of this definition. C. Reporting procedures: 1) Any person who believes he or she has been the victim of hazing or any person with knowledge or belief of conduct which may constitute hazing shall report the alleged acts immediately to an appropriate school district official designated by this policy. 2) The building principal is the person responsible for receiving reports of hazing at the building level. Any person may report hazing directly to a school district human rights officer or to the superintendent. 3) Teachers, administrators, officials, volunteers and employees of the school district shall be particularly alert to possible situations, circumstances or events which might include hazing. Any such person who receives a report of, observes or had other knowledge or belief of conduct which may constitute hazing shall inform the building principal immediately. 4) Submission of a good faith complaint or report of hazing will not affect the complainant or reporter's future employment, grades or work assignments. d. Reprisal: The school district will discipline or take appropriate action against any student, teacher, administrator, volunteer, coach, official contractor or employee of the school district who retaliates against any person who makes a good faith report of alleged hazing or against any person who testifies, assist, or participates in an investigation or against any person who testifies, assist or participates in a proceeding or hearing relating to such hazing. Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, any form of intimidation, reprisal or harassment. B. Bylaw: During the school year, a student shall not violate the racial/religious/sexual harassment and racial/religious/sexual violence and hazing bylaws of the MSHSL. Interpretation: The bylaw applies to the entire school year and any portion of an activity season which occurs prior to the start of the school year or after the close of the school year. C. Penalties for Category I Activities:

1. Racial/Religious/Sexual Harassment Violations

a. First Violation: After determination of the violation, a student shall lose eligibility for the next two (2) consecutive interscholastic contests or two (2) weeks of a season in which the student is a participant, whichever is greater.

Recommendations: 1) It is recommended that the school develop a local education program through which the student would receive information about racial/religious/sexual harassment and racial/religious/sexual violence. 2) It is recommended that, when appropriate, the school refer a student to a community agency or a professional individual outside the school for counseling.

b. Second Violation: After determination of the second violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next six (6) consecutive interscholastic contests in which the student is a participant or three (3) weeks, whichever is greater.

Recommendation: It is recommended that before being re-admitted to activities following suspension for the second violation, the student shall show evidence in writing that the student has received counseling from a community agency or professional individual such as a school counselor, medical doctor, psychiatrist or psychologist.

c. Third Violation: After determination of the third or subsequent violations, the student shall lose eligibility for the next twelve (12) consecutive interscholastic contests in which the student is a participant or four (4) weeks, whichever is greater.

d. Accumulative Policies: penalties shall be accumulative beginning with the student's first participation in a League activity and continuing through the student's high school career.

2. Racial/Religious/Sexual Violence Violations: After determination of the violation of the racial/religious/sexual violence rules, the student shall lose eligibility for the next year, i.e. twelve (12) calendar months.

DISTRICT #659 ACTIVITIES FEE INFORMATION 2018-19

1. The following guidelines are for the use of scholarship/fee waivers for co-curricular programs offered through Northfield High School and Northfield Middle School. All students in items a & b below must qualify under the current school year's Free or Reduced Meal Program guidelines administered by the school district Food Service Department.
 - a. Students who qualify for the Reduced Meal Program are required to pay 40% of the total cost of the activity.
 - b. Students who qualify for the Free Meal Program are required to pay 20% of the total cost of the activity for which they are enrolling.
 - c. Students who do not qualify for a Free or Reduced Meal Program, but who have a financial hardship must submit an application for a scholarship, and if granted are required to pay at least 20% toward the activity fee. A waiver form must be submitted for each activity, each season. Waiver Forms can be found on the School District Website or can be obtained by contacting the High School Activities Office.
2. Fees must be paid **BEFORE** the student/athlete will be allowed to practice or play.
3. Fees are as follows. Fees help cover costs of equipment, apparel, transportation, and officials.

Athletics - High School

Full Fee – 100%	Reduced Meal – 40%	Free Meal – 20%	
\$260	\$104	\$52	Alpine Ski (includes transportation fee)
\$215	\$86	\$43	Gymnastics-Hockey-Nordic Ski (includes transportation fee)
\$182	\$73	\$36	Soccer (includes Spring Creek Park user fee)
\$165	\$66	\$33	Baseball-Basketball-Dance Team-Football-Softball-Swimming-Volleyball-Wrestling
\$155	\$62	\$31	Golf, LaCrosse
\$130	\$52	\$26	Cheerleading-Cross Country-Tennis-Track-Weightlifting
\$75	\$30	\$15	Bowling, Clay Target

Academic and Fine Arts Activities - High School

Full Fee – 100%	Reduced Meal – 40%	Free Meal – 20%	
\$70	\$28	\$14	Chess-Knowledge Bowl-Math Team-Mock Trial-Music Listening-Speech-Drama-One-Act Play-Science Olympiad

Athletics - Middle School

Full Fee – 100%	Reduced Meal – 40%	Free Meal – 20%	
\$95	\$38	\$19	7 th & 8 th Grade participating in Middle School Athletics
\$75	\$30	\$15	All 6 th Grade Middle School Athletics

Academic and Fine Arts Activities – Middle School

Full Fee – 100%	Reduced Meal – 40%	Free Meal – 20%	
\$60	\$24	\$12	Chess-Knowledge Bowl-Math Team-Speech-Drama

Family Limit

Full Fee – 100%	Reduced Meal – 40%	Free Meal – 20%	
\$605	\$242	\$121	Family Fee Limit (includes high school and middle school), Athletics, Academic & Fine Arts combined

***Middle School students participating in a high school program will pay the High School fee. (This fee will be paid at the high school)

NHS FINE ART ACTIVITIES



– Eligibility/Permission Form

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE ACTIVITIES OFFICE ALONG WITH THE ACTIVITY FEE BEFORE THE STUDENT WILL BE PERMITTED TO PRACTICE OR PLAY. (24 hour rule-must have forms/ fees in 24 hours before start of 1st practice)

Activity: _____ School Attending: _____
(name of activity)

Fee attached: _____ Family fee pd (please itemize fees paid to date): _____

If you would like to help support another athlete with a scholarship donation, please indicate the amount you wish to include in your fee. _____. Thanks!

Fee Waiver Requested: (Please check which applies) Fee Waiver Amount _____ (Fee waiver form **must be attached**)
Fee Waiver form is Available on the Northfield Public School website under Activities and Events Home Page.

Reduced lunch (40%) _____ Free Lunch (20%) _____

*** Free/ Reduced Letter **must be accompanied with this form*****

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Grade _____ Gender _____
(Student Name)

Address _____ City, Zip _____

Parent Email address (for use only by coaches and Activities Director with your permission) _____

Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone of Parent/Guardian _____ Cell Phone _____

Names of Mother/Father or Guardians _____

If you are new to the Northfield School District in 2018-19, please indicate name and location of school last attended and date of enrollment in Northfield School District:

Use of Chemicals

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL and MSHSL rules regarding the use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs apply to students participating in any NHS co-curricular activity. The specific rules are found on a separate sheet in this packet. Parents of students who violate the regulations will be notified of the offense and the number of weeks or contests the student will be ineligible for participation. A student who is ineligible is prohibited from participating in any public performance. This includes concerts, plays, contests, etc. Students who are in more than one activity or both activities and athletics may not participate in any activity or sport during the time of the ineligibility.

AS THE UNDERSIGNED, I _____ grant that the above-named student is given permission to participate in ANY activity sponsored by Northfield High School EXCEPT the following:

Grant permission for this student to take supervised trips connected with NHS activities.

Fully understand that Northfield Public Schools does not provide any accident or health insurance coverage for my son/daughter while participating in the NHS Activities Program. I full understand that it is my responsibility to provide insurance coverage for my son/daughter. (Insurance coverage is available through Norwest Insurance Agency; information and forms are available in Activities Office.)

Agree not to hold the school or anyone acting in its behalf responsible for any injury occurring to the student named at the top of this page in the proper course of such activity participation or travel. These statements apply to all activity programs offered by the Northfield Public Schools in which my son/daughter participates.

I have read, understand, and acknowledge receiving the 2018-19 information in regard to NHS rules, policies and general information pertaining to the Activities Program, including rules and policies in regard to the Use of Chemicals, Attendance and Academic Eligibility and MSHSL General Rules (which apply to all NHS C0-Curricular Activities).

I have read the foregoing and will abide by the principles and regulations contained therein

Date: _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____ Signature of Student: _____