NORTHFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL

**ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES**

**TO:** Parents and Students Participating in Middle School Athletics and Academic Activities

In order for students to be allowed to participate in Middle School Athletic/Academic Programs, registration must be completed online. You may visit the following link: <http://northfieldschoolsactivities.registryinsight.com/> and enter your login/password information. No other forms (physicals, etc.) are necessary to be able to compete in Middle School Athletic/Academic Programs. **A student will NOT be allowed to practice or participate until registration is completed ONLINE.** Registration will close the first week of practice.

**FEES**.

 **Sport Grade Fee**

 Per Sport 7th/8th grade $95.00

 Per Sport 6th grade 75.00

 Academic Activities All grades per activity 60.00

 Drama (performers and tech crew) All grades 55.00

\*Note: All middle school students participating in a high school sport will pay the high school fee. See the high school activities office for details.

### Middle School Athletic & Academic Activities Offered

**Fall Sports** **Winter Sports** **Spring Sports** **Academic Activities**

Football (6-8) Wrestling (6-8) Boys Track (6-8) Chess Club

Volleyball (6-8) Girls Track (6-8) Math League/Team

Girls Tennis (6-8) Boys Tennis (6-8) Play/Musical

Boys Soccer (7-8) Speech Club

Girls Soccer (7-8) Geography Bee (no fee)

 Honors Choir (no fee)

 Spelling Bee (no fee)

 Yearbook (no fee)

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

Athletics- Middle School

**Full Reduced Free**

**Fee - 100% Meal - 40% Meal -20%**

**$95** **$38 $19**

**$75 $30 $15**

Academic Activities - Middle School

**Full Reduced Free**

**Fee - 100% Meal - 40% Meal -20%**

**$60 $24 $12**

Family Limit

**Full Reduce Free**

**Fee - 100% Meal - 40% Meal -20%**

**$605 $242 $121** Family Fee Limit (includes high school and middle school), Athletics, Academic, & combined.

 **REFUNDS**

If you discontinue participation in the program you must notify the Athletic Coordinator in order to get a refund. The deadline for refunds is two weeks after the first practice session.

**TRAVEL RELEASE POLICY**

All students 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 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.

**ATHLETIC ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Any middle school student missing a practice or contest because of an unexcused absence may be dismissed from the team/activity. The following attendance procedures must be followed:

 \*If you are late to practice you must have a signed note from a teacher or parent/guardian **upon your arrival** **to the practice or contest**.

 \*If you missed a practice or contest you must have a signed note from a teacher or parent/guardian **upon your return** **to the next practice or**

 **contest**.

 \*If you are planning to be absent or tardy to a practice or contest you must have a signed note from a teacher or parent/guardian **prior to your**

 **absence or tardiness**.

 \*All notes must be given directly to the coach – not the Middle School office.

## CANCELLATION OF A GAME OR PRACTICE

To find out if a contest or practice has been cancelled please call the Athletic Hotline, 645-3559. If there is a cancellation, due to the large number of students enrolled in athletics/academic activities, the office cannot guarantee that all messages will get to students. Therefore, please be sure to discuss with your child what you would like them to do. Please remember that they have little time to make a phone call from school and still catch a bus home. Some suggestions: be sure they know their bus number, a work number if you are not home and/or a contact person who they can call or go to.

## CHEMICAL ELIGIBILITY RULES

Philosophy and Purpose: Northfield schools 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.

Policy: During the calendar year, regardless of the quantity, a student shall not use, have in possession, buy, sell, or

 give away: (1) a beverage containing alcohol; (2) tobacco; (3) any other controlled substance. It is not a

 violation to be in possession of a controlled substance specifically prescribed for the student’s use by his/her

 doctor.

Penalties: 1st Violation: After confirmation of the first violation, the 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 longer. Enforcement will begin when the first game/performance is missed. The student will be referred to a

 school counselor who will conduct an informal assessment.

 2nd Violation: After the confirmation of the second violation, the student shall lose eligibility for the next

 six (6) consecutive interscholastic contests or six (6) weeks of a season in which the student is a participant,

 whichever is longer. Enforcement begins at the time the offense is documented if during the season or the

 beginning of the next season of participation, if out of season. The student will be referred to a school

 counselor, with an outside assessment or attendance at a chemical education class appropriate to the offense,

 highly encouraged.

 3rd and Subsequent Violations: After confirmation of the third or subsequent violations, the student shall lose

 eligibility for the next twelve (12) consecutive interscholastic contests or twelve (12) weeks of a season in which

 the student is a participant, whichever is longer. Enforcement begins at the time the offense is documented or

 the beginning of the next season of participation, whichever is later. An outside assessment is highly

 recommended and expected. A student who receives an outside, professional assessment and abides by the

 recommendations of that assessment, will have the penalty reduced to twelve (12) consecutive interscholastic

 contests or 4 weeks, whichever is greater.

 Exception: If the violation occurs before the start of a season and if the start of the season is delayed due to

 cancellation or postponement of games, the maximum penalty is six (6) games or contests and/or two (2)

 weeks from the scheduled start of the season, whichever is greater.

 Accumulative Penalties: Penalties shall be accumulative beginning with and continuing throughout the

 student’s participation on a high school team or activity.

 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.

1. A student who denies an offense and is allowed to participate but subsequently is found guilty; will be

 disqualified from all interscholastic contests for nine (9) additional weeks beyond the student’s original

 period of ineligibility.

1. A student may go out for a sport/activity in order to “work off a penalty” and thus make them eligible

for future participation. However, in order to qualify, they must meet all expectations of that program

and must satisfactorily complete the entire season in “good standing.”

 4. A student who voluntarily refers themselves to a counselor, coach, advisor, teacher, etc. will not be charged with more than one offense, even if there had been multiple violations of the rules. Voluntary referral on a first offense will not reduce the penalty. Voluntary referral on a second or third offense will lessen the penalty by one offense.

Note: Students may not serve penalties for Academic and Chemical Ineligibility concurrently. Each penalty must be served separately.

###### Athletic Hotline 645-3559 \*

#### Athletic Main Office 663-0680

**Web Site: www.northfieldschoolsactivites.org**

\* The Athletic Hotline is updated only in the event that a practice or competitive event is cancelled. It is not updated on a day-to-day basis for general announcements. Please do not leave messages for coaches on this line. Coaches should be contacted directly via telephone, e-mail or written note. Not all coaches are employees of the School District.