

ROANE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	
Interscholastic Athletics	Policy # 6.14
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1 **6.14 - INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS**

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3 No person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, be
4 treated differently from another person, or otherwise be discriminated against in any athletic program
5 of the school. Equal athletic opportunity shall be provided for members of both sexes.¹

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7 Interscholastic athletics shall be administered as a part of the regular school program and shall be the
8 principal's responsibility. Principals shall ensure that school regulations regarding participation in a
9 sport are reasonable. Athletic schedules shall be filed in each school principal's office. Personnel
10 approved by the Board and designated by the principal must accompany an athletic team on trips.
11 Transportation of teams to athletic games is approved by the Board, provided the team's school
12 reimburses the Board for mileage.

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14 Bylaws of the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association shall regulate the operation and
15 control of middle and secondary athletics.²

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17 There shall be a complete annual physical examination of every student prior to his/her participation in
18 interscholastic athletics.³ Cost of the examination shall be borne by the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the
19 student. These records shall be on file in the principal's office. It shall be the responsibility of the
20 parent(s)/guardian(s) to provide health and hospitalization insurance for all students participating in
21 interscholastic athletics.

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23 No principal or teacher of any school under the control of the Board shall dismiss his/her school or any
24 group of students for the purpose of permitting them to practice or play any athletic games within the
25 regular school hours of any school day of the week without written permission from the Director. This
26 does not prevent the inclusion of regular physical training lessons in the daily school program.⁴

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28 Participation in interscholastic athletics, marching band or R.O.T.C. Military Science shall not be
29 substituted for the lifetime wellness graduation requirement. Participation in athletic practice during
30 regular school hours shall not count as physical education credit.⁵

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32 Coaches and other employees of the System shall not encourage, permit, condone or tolerate hazing
33 activities as part of the athletic program.⁶

Legal References:

¹ Title IX, Education Amendment of 1972, 20 U.S.C. § 1681, et seq.; 34 CFR § 106.41

² TRR/MS 0520-1-2-.08(1)

³ TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(b)

⁴ TCA 49-6-1002

⁵ TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.05(6)(e)(2)(ii)

⁶ TCA 49-2-120