

2011-12 MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Senior High Results

(Final – 514 Responses – 68% Response Rate)

Note: For the purposes of this survey, a participation fee is anything more than \$20, regardless of the title your school has given the fee (i.e., Registration Fee, Insurance Fee, Transportation Fee, Trainers Fee, etc.). If a student-athlete's participation on a team is contingent on paying any kind of fee, please provide the details requested below.

We are assessing a fee in 2011-12 – 260 (50.5%)

Breakdown by Class – A 86 (66%); B 66 (54%); C 64 (46%); D 44 (35%)

We ARE NOT assessing a fee in 2011-12 – 254 (49.5%)

PART ONE – To be filled out only by schools ASSESSING Participation Fees

1. Fees are also being assessed for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities. 82 (32%) - Yes 175 (68%) - No
2. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis. 204 (79%) – Yes 54 (21%) - No
3. We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 198 (79%); Registration Fee 12 (5%); Insurance Fee 3 (1%); Transportation Fee 10 (4%); Trainers Fee 0 (0%); Other 28 (11%)
4. This is the FIRST time we have EVER had a Participation Fee. 21 (8%) – Yes 237 (92%) – No
5. Our school also had a Participation Fee in the 2010-11 school year. 185 (78%) – Yes 51 (22%) – No
6. Have you seen a drop in participation because of Participation Fees? 36 (14%) – Yes 224 (86%) - No
7. Have students transferred out of your school because of Participation Fees? 3 (1.2%) – Yes 255 (98.8%) – No
8. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a student-athlete for the school year? 141 (55%) – Yes 115 (45%) – No
9. Annual maximum fee per student breakdown:
 - a. Low - \$25 b. High - \$410 c. Median - \$150
 - d. Listing by fee: \$25 – 2; \$50 – 9; \$60 – 4; \$75 – 14; \$80 – 3; \$90 – 1; \$100 – 19; \$105 – 2; \$110 – 1; \$120 – 5; \$125 – 5; \$135 – 1; \$140 – 1; \$150 – 18; \$160 – 3; \$165 – 1; \$175 – 2; \$180 – 2; \$188 – 1; \$200 – 9; \$210 – 1; \$225 – 5; \$250 – 5; \$270 – 1; \$275 – 4; \$280 – 1; \$300 – 8; \$325 – 2; \$350 – 3; \$375 – 1; \$380 – 1; \$400 – 1; \$410 – 1.
10. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a family for the school year? 127 (49%) – Yes 130 (51%) – No
11. Annual maximum fee per family breakdown:
 - a. Low - \$50 b. High - \$850 c. Median - \$250
 - d. Listing by fee: \$50 – 1; \$70 – 1; \$100 – 7; \$120 – 2; \$125 – 2; \$150 – 10; \$160 – 1; \$165 – 1; \$175 – 3; \$180 – 3; \$200 – 13; \$225 – 1; \$240 – 2; \$245 – 1; \$250 – 11; \$275 – 1; \$280 – 1; \$300 – 14; \$320 – 1; \$330 – 1; \$345 – 1; \$350 – 3; \$355 – 1; \$360 – 1; \$400 – 6; \$440 – 2; \$450 – 2; \$500 – 6; \$600 – 10; \$635 – 1; \$700 – 2; \$750 – 1; \$800 – 3; \$850 – 1.
12. Our Participation Fee is:
 - a. A standardized one-time fee per student-athlete for the entire year 63 (24.5%)
 - b. A standardized fee per team, regardless of how many sports a student-athlete plays 107 (41.5%)
 - c. Tiered, based on the number of sports a student-athlete plays 46 (18%)
 - d. Varies by sport 12 (5%)
 - e. Other 29 (11%)
13. One-time fee per student breakdown:
 - a. Minimum - \$25 b. Maximum - \$350 c. Median - \$120
 - d. Listing by fee: \$25 – 2; \$50 – 6; \$75 – 10; \$80 – 1; \$100 – 12; \$120 – 2; \$125 – 4; \$140 – 1; \$150 – 7; \$165 – 1; \$175 – 1; \$180 – 1; \$195 – 1; \$200 – 2; \$225 – 1; \$250 – 1; \$275 – 2; \$280 – 1; \$300 – 5; \$325 – 1; \$350 – 1.
14. Fee per team student breakdown:
 - a. Minimum - \$10 b. Maximum - \$200 c. Median - \$75
 - d. Listing by fee: \$10 – 1; \$20 – 1; \$25 – 7; \$30 – 4; \$35 – 6; \$40 – 7; \$45 – 2; \$50 – 19; \$55 – 1; \$60 – 4; \$65 – 1; \$75 – 10; \$80 – 2; \$85 – 3; \$90 – 3; \$95 – 1; \$100 – 17; \$110 – 3; \$115 – 1; \$120 – 1; \$125 – 3; \$130 – 2; \$145 – 1; \$150 – 2; \$160 – 1; \$175 – 4; \$180 – 2.
15. Does your school offer a reduced fee or fee waiver provision based on income criteria? 167 (64.5%) – Yes 92 (35.5%) – No
16. Do student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment? 19 (7%) – Yes 241 (93%) – No

PART TWO – To be filled out only by schools NOT ASSESSING Participation Fees

1. Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past. 18 (7%) – Yes 236 (93%) – No
2. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee. 13 (5%) – Yes 233 (95%) – No
3. The possibility of fees for 2012-13 is still being considered. 43 (17%) – Yes 210 (83%) - No