

2016-17 MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Senior High Results (Final – 557 Responses – 74% 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 2016-17 – 277 (49.7%)

Breakdown by Class – A 96 (70%); B 71 (52%); C 60 (42%); D 50 (35%)

We ARE NOT assessing a fee in 2016-17 – 280 (50.3%)

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

1. Fees are also being assessed for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities. 90 (32%) - Yes 186 (67%) - No
2. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis. 212 (77%) – Yes 62 (22%) - No
3. We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 219 (79%); Registration Fee 19 (7%); Insurance Fee 2 (1%); Transportation Fee 4 (1%); Other 33 (12%)
4. This is the FIRST time we have EVER had a Participation Fee. 4 (1%) – Yes 270 (97%) – No
5. Our school also had a Participation Fee in the 2015-16 school year. 211 (76%) – Yes 54 (19%) – No
6. Have you seen a drop in participation because of Participation Fees? 27 (10%) – Yes 250 (90%) - No
7. Have students transferred out of your school because of Participation Fees? 3 (1%) – Yes 271 (98%) – No
8. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a student-athlete for the school year? 162 (58%) – Yes 108 (39%) – No
9. Annual maximum fee per student breakdown:
 Low - \$20 High - \$425 Median - \$150
 Listing by fee: \$20 – 1; \$25 – 4; \$40 – 2; \$50 – 5; \$60 – 3; \$70 – 1; \$75 – 6; \$80 – 1; \$90 – 1; \$100 – 27; \$105 – 2; \$120 – 4; \$125 – 10; \$130 – 3; \$135 – 1; \$150 – 19; \$160 – 1; \$170 – 1; \$175 – 2; \$180 – 2; \$200 – 16; \$220 – 1; \$225 – 4; \$240 – 1; \$245 – 1; \$250 – 7; \$265 – 1; \$275 – 4; \$280 – 1; \$300 – 9; \$320 – 1; \$325 – 1; \$350 – 7; \$360 – 1; \$380 – 1; \$385 – 1; \$400 – 1; \$410 – 2; \$425 – 1.
10. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a family for the school year? 146 (53%) – Yes 129 (47%) – No
11. Annual maximum fee per family breakdown:
 Low - \$50 High - \$850 Median - \$300
 Listing by fee: \$50 – 2; \$75 – 1; \$100 – 3; \$120 – 1; \$150 – 3; \$180 – 2; \$200 – 15; \$240 – 3; \$245 – 1; \$250 – 18; \$259 – 1; \$275 – 3; \$300 – 20; \$320 – 2; \$330 – 1; \$350 – 4; \$360 – 2; \$370 – 1; \$400 – 9; \$450 – 3; \$500 – 10; \$525 – 3; \$530 – 1; \$535 – 1; \$540 – 1; \$545 – 1; \$600 – 2; \$700 – 7; \$720 – 2; \$760 – 1; \$770 – 1; \$800 – 2; \$850 – 1.
12. Our Participation Fee is:
 - a. A standardized one-time fee per student-athlete for the entire year 86 (31%)
 - b. A standardized fee per team, regardless of how many sports a student-athlete plays 122 (44%)
 - c. Tiered, based on the number of sports a student-athlete plays 34 (12%)
 - d. Varies by sport 12 (4%)
 - e. Other 20 (7%)
13. One-time fee per student breakdown:
 Minimum - \$25 Maximum - \$385 Median - \$125
 Listing by fee: \$25 – 4; \$40 – 1; \$50 – 7; \$60 – 1; \$75 – 7; \$80 – 1; \$85 – 1; \$100 – 16; \$120 – 3; \$125 – 7; \$130 – 1; \$150 – 10; \$175 – 2; \$180 – 1; \$200 – 3; \$220 – 1; \$250 – 2; \$265 – 1; \$275 – 2; \$300 – 1; \$325 – 2; \$350 – 6; \$380 – 1; \$385 – 2.
14. Fee per team student breakdown:
 Minimum - \$20 Maximum - \$250 Median - \$75
 Listing by fee: \$20 – 4; \$25 – 3; \$30 – 1; \$35 – 2; \$40 – 6; \$45 – 1; \$50 – 23; \$60 – 2; \$65 – 2; \$70 – 3; \$75 – 16; \$80 – 4; \$85 – 5; \$90 – 2; \$95 – 2; \$100 – 17; \$115 – 1; \$120 – 3; \$125 – 5; \$130 – 1; \$140 – 4; \$150 – 6; \$165 – 1; \$175 – 5; \$180 – 1; \$195 – 1; \$200 – 2; \$210 – 1; \$250 – 1.
15. Does your school offer a reduced fee or fee waiver provision based on income criteria? 184 (66%) – Yes 92 (33%) – No
16. Do student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment? 30 (11%) – Yes 245 (88%) – No

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

1. Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past. 31 (11%) – Yes 247 (88%) – No
2. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee. 9 (3%) – Yes 266 (95%) – No
3. The possibility of fees for 2017-18 is still being considered. 16 (6%) – Yes 261 (93%) - No