

2019-20 MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Senior High Results

(Final – 657 Responses – 88% 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 2019-20 – 314 (48%)

Breakdown by Class – A 109 (66%); B 73 (44%); C 77 (46%); D 55 (35%)

We ARE NOT assessing a fee in 2019-20 – 343 (52%)

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

1. Fees are also being assessed for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities. 115 (37%) - Yes 197 (63%) - No
2. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis. 258 (82%) – Yes 55 (18%) - No
3. We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 257 (82%); Registration Fee 19 (6%); Insurance Fee 6 (2%); Transportation Fee 7 (2%); Other 24 (8%)
4. This is the FIRST time we have EVER had a Participation Fee. 3 (1%) – Yes 309 (98%) – No
5. Our school also had a Participation Fee in the 2018-19 school year. 290 (92%) – Yes 19 (6%) – No
6. Have you seen a drop in participation because of Participation Fees? 11 (4%) – Yes 298 (95%) - No
7. Have students transferred out of your school because of Participation Fees? 1 (0%) – Yes 308 (98%) – No
8. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a student-athlete for the school year? 194 (62%) – Yes 114 (36%) – No
9. Annual maximum fee per student breakdown:
Low - \$20 High - \$850 Median - \$150
Listing by fee: \$20 – 1; \$25 – 4; \$40 – 3; \$50 – 8; \$60 – 5; \$75 – 10; \$80 – 3; \$90 – 2; \$100 – 27; \$105 – 2; \$110 – 1; \$120 – 5; \$125 – 9; \$130 – 1; \$140 – 1; \$150 – 20; \$155 – 2; \$160 – 1; \$165 – 1; \$170 – 1; \$175 – 7; \$180 – 4; \$190 – 1; \$195 – 1; \$200 – 20; \$210 – 1; \$220 – 1; \$225 – 2; \$230 – 1; \$250 – 2; \$260 – 1; \$265 – 2; \$275 – 1; \$280 – 2; \$288 – 1; \$300 – 12; \$325 – 3; \$335 – 1; \$350 – 8; \$360 – 3; \$375 – 1; \$385 – 3; \$390 – 1; \$400 – 1; \$410 – 2; \$425 – 1; \$445 – 1; \$600 – 1; \$645 – 1; \$850 – 1.
10. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a family for the school year? 152 (48%) – Yes 159 (51%) – No
11. Annual maximum fee per family breakdown:
Low - \$25 High - \$1,000 Median - \$300
Listing by fee: \$25 – 1; \$40 – 1; \$50 – 2; \$85 – 1; \$100 – 4; \$125 – 2; \$150 – 9; \$175 – 1; \$180 – 3; \$200 – 17; \$210 – 1; \$225 – 4; \$240 – 1; \$250 – 11; \$260 – 2; \$275 – 2; \$285 – 1; \$300 – 23; \$330 – 1; \$350 – 3; \$360 – 3; \$375 – 2; \$385 – 1; \$390 – 1; \$400 – 8; \$448 – 1; \$450 – 3; \$500 – 12; \$525 – 1; \$530 – 1; \$535 – 1; \$540 – 1; \$545 – 1; \$560 – 2; \$600 – 7; \$630 – 1; \$650 – 1; \$700 – 5; \$720 – 1; \$745 – 1; \$750 – 2; \$800 – 1; \$850 – 2; \$880 – 1; \$900 – 1; \$1,000 – 1.
12. Our Participation Fee is:
 - a. A standardized one-time fee per student-athlete for the entire year 99 (32%)
 - b. A standardized fee per team, regardless of how many sports a student-athlete plays 140 (45%)
 - c. Tiered, based on the number of sports a student-athlete plays 52 (17%)
 - d. Varies by sport 10 (3%)
 - e. Other 8 (3%)
13. One-time fee per student breakdown:
Minimum - \$20 Maximum - \$385 Median - \$100
Listing by fee: \$20 – 1; \$25 – 3; \$40 – 1; \$50 – 8; \$75 – 7; \$80 – 3; \$85 – 1; \$90 – 1; \$100 – 17; \$120 – 1; \$125 – 5; \$130 – 1; \$140 – 1; \$150 – 5; \$165 – 1; \$175 – 4; \$180 – 1; \$200 – 3; \$210 – 1; \$225 – 1; \$230 – 1; \$250 – 1; \$265 – 2; \$275 – 1; \$288 – 1; \$300 – 1; \$325 – 2; \$335 – 1; \$350 – 3; \$385 – 2.
14. Fee per team student breakdown:
Minimum - \$20 Maximum - \$375 Median - \$75
Listing by fee: \$20 – 2; \$25 – 3; \$30 – 4; \$35 – 1; \$40 – 2; \$45 – 1; \$46 – 1; \$50 – 15; \$55 – 1; \$60 – 8; \$65 – 2; \$70 – 4; \$75 – 18; \$85 – 3; \$90 – 2; \$95 – 2; \$100 – 13; \$110 – 1; \$125 – 4; \$130 – 1; \$140 – 3; \$145 – 1; \$150 – 6; \$175 – 5; \$180 – 3; \$195 – 2; \$200 – 3; \$220 – 1; \$250 – 1; \$375 – 1.
15. Does your school offer a reduced fee or fee waiver provision based on income criteria? 206 (66%) – Yes 105 (33%) – No
16. Do student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment? 29 (9%) – Yes 282 (90%) – No

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

1. Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past. 56 (16%) – Yes 286 (83%) – No
2. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee. 12 (3%) – Yes 325 (95%) – No
3. The possibility of fees for 2020-21 is still being considered. 35 (10%) – Yes 307 (90%) - No