

2023-24 MHSAA Participation Fee Survey – Senior High Results

(Final – 486 Responses – 65% 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 2023-24 – 198 (41%)

Breakdown by Class – A 73 (58%); B 55 (40%); C 29 (26%); D 41 (37%)

We ARE NOT assessing a fee in 2023-24 – 288 (59%)

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

1. Fees are also being assessed for other, non-athletic, extracurricular activities. 62 (31%) - Yes 135 (68%) - No
 2. We are going to evaluate the implementation of fees on an annual basis. 159 (80%) – Yes 38 (19%) - No
 3. We are calling our fee: Participation Fee 171 (86%); Athletic Fee 9 (5%); Registration Fee 7 (4%); Other 10 (5%)
 4. This is the FIRST time we have EVER had a Participation Fee. 3 (2%) – Yes 194 (98%) – No
 5. Our school also had a Participation Fee in the 2022-23 school year. 178 (90%) – Yes 13 (7%) – No
 6. Have you seen a drop in participation because of Participation Fees? 3 (2%) – Yes 193 (97%) - No
 7. Have students transferred out of your school because of Participation Fees? 0 (0%) – Yes 196 (99%) – No
 8. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a student-athlete for the school year? 130 (66%) – Yes 68 (34%) – No
 9. Annual maximum fee per student breakdown:
Low - \$25 High - \$725 Median - \$150
Listing by fee: \$25 – 4; \$30 – 1; \$40 – 1; \$45 – 1; \$50 – 7; \$60 – 3; \$70 – 1; \$75 – 3; \$80 – 1; \$85 – 1; \$90 – 2; \$100 – 26; \$110 – 1; \$120 – 6; \$125 – 4; \$140 – 1; \$150 – 7; \$155 – 1; \$170 – 1; \$175 – 2; \$190 – 1; \$200 – 11; \$210 – 1; \$225 – 4; \$250 – 9; \$260 – 1; \$300 – 10; \$310 – 1; \$325 – 1; \$350 – 3; \$360 – 2; \$385 – 4; \$400 – 2; \$405 – 1; \$450 – 1; \$500 – 1; \$510 – 1; \$520 – 1; \$525 – 2; \$725 – 1.
 10. Do you have a maximum fee that you will charge a family for the school year? 96 (48%) – Yes 100 (51%) – No
 11. Annual maximum fee per family breakdown:
Low - \$25 High - \$1,000 Median - \$400
Listing by fee: \$25 – 1; \$50 – 1; \$75 – 1; \$100 – 1; \$120 – 1; \$150 – 1; \$180 – 2; \$200 – 11; \$225 – 2; \$250 – 6; \$300 – 14; \$350 – 2; \$370 – 1; \$375 – 1; \$400 – 9; \$450 – 2; \$465 – 1; \$480 – 1; \$500 – 12; \$510 – 1; \$525 – 2; \$530 – 1; \$550 – 1; \$600 – 4; \$700 – 4; \$720 – 3; \$725 – 1; \$770 – 1; \$780 – 1; \$800 – 1; \$850 – 2; \$880 – 2; \$1,000 – 2.
 12. Our Participation Fee is:
 - a. A standardized one-time fee per student-athlete for the entire year 67 (34%)
 - b. A standardized fee per team, regardless of how many sports a student-athlete plays 77 (39%)
 - c. Tiered, based on the number of sports a student-athlete plays 34 (17%)
 - d. Varies by sport 16 (8%)
 - e. Other 2 (0%)
 13. One-time fee per student breakdown:
Minimum - \$25 Maximum - \$500 Median - \$120
Listing by fee: \$25 – 1; \$30 – 1; \$50 – 4; \$75 – 3; \$80 – 1; \$85 – 1; \$90 – 1; \$100 – 12; \$120 – 3; \$125 – 5; \$150 – 3; \$175 – 2; \$180 – 1; \$200 – 4; \$210 – 1; \$250 – 2; \$265 – 1; \$300 – 1; \$325 – 2; \$385 – 3; \$500 – 1.
 14. Fee per team student breakdown:
Minimum - \$20 Maximum - \$250 Median - \$80
Listing by fee: \$20 – 1; \$25 – 2; \$30 – 1; \$35 – 1; \$40 – 5; \$46 – 1; \$50 – 5; \$55 – 1; \$60 – 2; \$65 – 1; \$75 – 6; \$80 – 4; \$100 – 12; \$120 – 1; \$125 – 4; \$140 – 2; \$150 – 3; \$180 – 2; \$200 – 2; \$210 – 1; \$250 – 1.
 15. Does your school offer a reduced fee or fee waiver provision based on income criteria? 128 (65%) – Yes 69 (35%) – No
 16. Do student-athletes receive any additional benefits related to their fee payment? 17 (9%) – Yes 180 (91%) – No
- #### **PART TWO – To be filled out only by schools NOT ASSESSING Participation Fees**
1. Our school has assessed Participation Fees in the past. 62 (22%) – Yes 226 (78%) – No
 2. We have had students transfer into our district because we are not assessing a fee. 7 (2%) – Yes 280 (97%) – No
 3. The possibility of fees for 2024-25 is still being considered. 21 (7%) – Yes 266 (92%) - No