

Related Entries: (Not identified at this time)

**Participation of Private School,  
Full-time Public Virtual School, Home Education, and Charter  
School Students in Lee County Public School Extracurricular  
Activities and Sports**

The following procedures shall be followed for full-time public virtual school, home education, private school, and charter school students, to participate in extracurricular and sports activities offered at District-operated schools:

(1) Private School Students

- (a) A Private School student enrolled in a private school shall not participate in public school extracurricular activities or sports, except as provided in section (1)(b).
- (b) Private School grade 6-12 students who are enrolled in a non-FHSAA member private school consisting of 125 students or fewer are eligible to participate in an intrascholastic or interscholastic sport offered at District-operated schools, provided the student adheres to the requirements specified in §1006.15, F.S.

(2) Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education Students

- (a) Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education students in grades K-12 may participate in interscholastic extracurricular or sports activities offered at District-operated schools.
- (b) Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education students may participate in interscholastic extracurricular activities providing they adhere to the requirements specified in §1006.15, F.S.
- (c) Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education students who want to participate in an interscholastic extracurricular activity must meet the same residency requirements as other students in the District-operated school at which he or she participates. The residency requirement is identified as the School Zone. Therefore, all Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education students who want to participate in an interscholastic extracurricular activity, must register and apply through the Student Assignment Office and be assigned a District-operated school for purposes of participation in interscholastic extracurricular activities.

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- 45 (d) Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education students participating in  
46 interscholastic extracurricular activities must meet the requirements of  
47 participation as set forth in Board Policies 4.06 and 4.25, and by the relevant  
48 Florida High School Activities Association Policy. All Florida High School  
49 Activities Association requirements must be met in accordance with §1006.15,  
50 F.S.  
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- 52 (e) Full-time Public Virtual School and Home Education students must meet the  
53 same admission requirements for interscholastic extracurricular activities as a  
54 student assigned to that school full time. Admission requirements may include  
55 an audition or tryout, academic or age criteria, or other requirements.  
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- 57 (f) Full-time Public Virtual Student and Home Education students with an  
58 Individualized Education Program (IEP) or an Educational Plan (EP) enrolled  
59 at a District-operated school on a limited basis (example - only for a speech  
60 program) are eligible only for the service designated on the IEP or EP and may  
61 not participate in either extracurricular or sports activities unless they meet the  
62 requirements specified in (2)(b), (2)(c), (2)(d) and (2)(e) listed above.  
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- 64 (3) Charter School Students  
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- 66 (a) Charter school students may participate in interscholastic extracurricular or  
67 sports activities offered at District-operated schools unless such an activity is  
68 provided by the student's charter school.  
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- 70 (b) Charter school students may participate in an interscholastic sport or  
71 extracurricular activity at the District-operated school to which he/she normally  
72 would be assigned through the student assignment process provided the  
73 student meets the same eligibility requirements and academic performance  
74 standards in place for all students who participate.  
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- 76 (c) Charter school students electing to participate in a District-operated school  
77 interscholastic sport or extracurricular activity must register and apply through  
78 student assignment prior to the start of the season/period for the activity in  
79 which they intend to participate.  
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- 81 (d) Charter school students participating in interscholastic extracurricular activities  
82 must meet the requirements of participation as set forth in Board Policy 4.06,  
83 Satisfactory Conduct to Participate in Athletics, and by the relevant Florida  
84 High School Activities Association Policy. All Florida High School Activities  
85 Association requirements must be met in accordance with §1006.15, F.S.  
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- 87 (e) Charter school students must meet the same admission requirements for  
88 interscholastic extracurricular activities as a student assigned to that school  
89 full time. Admission requirements may include an audition or tryout, academic  
90 or age criteria, or other requirements.

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(4) Access to Programs

(a) All of the provisions of this policy relate to providing to certain students under certain conditions access to programs offered at District-operated schools only. No part of this policy should be construed to provide access to any other programs, such as programs offered at charter schools, home schools, private schools, and virtual schools.

(b) This policy does not apply to core academic or other courses offered as part of the regularly scheduled school day unless the course(s) is a requirement for participation in the extracurricular activity in which the relevant student participates.

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