

Escalante Middle School Athletic & Activity Handbook



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Prospective Athlete Checklist:

Please have this packet read, checklist items completed and forms handed in to school prior to the first day of the athletic season. The checklist below is for your reference and doesn't need to be turned in. The items on it must be taken care of before participation in any practices or games. All forms must be signed and filled out completely.

_____ School Athletic Form (Includes proof of physical in the last calendar year, parent permission, acknowledgment of reviewing the athletic handbook and insurance coverage information).

_____ Athletic fee paid to school office (waived for students qualifying for free and reduced lunch).

1st Sport \$30, 2nd Sport \$25

Capped at \$55 per student, \$70 per family

_____ Purple Travel Card with medical consent information



Durango School District 9R Middle School Athletic and Activity Handbook

Foreward

Durango School District 9-R believes that participation in athletics and activities helps our students achieve academic excellence. Our athletics/activities program is aligned with CHSAA and is an integral part of our students' education. Students who participate in athletic and activity programs have better school attendance, fewer disciplinary problems and higher graduation rates. The Durango School District 9-R takes great pride in the efforts and accomplishments of all our participants!

Philosophy

The Durango School District 9-R views Student Athletics and Activities as an extension of the classroom and an integral part of a student's overall educational experience. Students are encouraged to participate in a variety of clubs, organizations, and activities. Students selected for the privilege of membership in athletics and activities represent their school, and their behavior is expected to reflect positively on their school and community.

Participation in athletics and activities should be:

- Enjoyable to participants and spectators/fans/audiences;
- Educational in both academic pursuits and citizenship;
- Ethical, practicing values of respect, responsibility, and perseverance.

Academic Eligibility

A participant will become ineligible if they have one or more failing grades.

A participant will not be allowed to miss school for a contest if they have a D grade.

Attendance

Attendance is crucial to success in school and student athletes are expected to attend school regularly. Student-athletes who's attendance becomes under review may be subject to loss of privilege of participation.

Athletes must be present ½ day to participate in any contest that day. If a contest falls on a non school day, this rule applies to the previous school day.

Citizenship & Sportsmanship

All participants are expected to exhibit sportsmanship and courteous conduct towards all coaches, officials and opponents as hosts and guests.

During competitions, any disqualification from a contest for committing an unsportsmanlike act will result in being ineligible for the next contest.

Participants are expected to reflect positively on their school and program by following all school and team rules and procedures.

While on road trips participants will remain in gym or facility with their team and coaches and will not leave the area without school supervision.

General Conduct

Bullying, Hazing and Harassment

Durango School District is committed to a safe and civil educational environment for all students, employees, volunteers and patrons free from harassment, intimidation, bullying, cyber-bullying, sexual harassment, sexting or hazing. Incidents relating to such will be reviewed and consequences determined by school administration.

Controlled Substances

Policy on Tobacco, Alcohol, Drugs and Paraphernalia

A student/athlete will not possess, use, distribute, or be under the influence of any controlled substance or possess paraphernalia including vape devices. A controlled substance includes but is not limited to alcohol, narcotics, tobacco, inhalants, hallucinogenic drugs, amphetamines, barbiturate, marijuana, or any intoxicant of any kind.

Violations

All violations relating to controlled substances will be reviewed and consequences determined by administration.

Other unacceptable behavior and/or conduct detrimental to self, team or school, not defined above is subject to disciplinary actions via administration.

Ineligible Athletes

Athletes who are ineligible for any of the above reasons should attend practice unless excused by coaches and parents but may not play, suit up or travel with the team.

Concussion Protocol

Athletes diagnosed with a concussion must follow 9R concussion protocol and cannot return to play without clearance from a physician and certified athletic trainer.

Transportation

Participants are expected to use school transportation to all activities. On away events participants may only ride home with their parents/guardians unless a Transportation Consent and Release Form is filled out and on file in the school office beforehand.

Parents/guardians must sign out their athlete with a coach when picking them up from an away location.

Fees

Durango 9R charges athletic fees to help offset costs associated with participation. Students who are eligible for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program will have their fees waived.

1st Sport-\$30

2nd Sport-\$25

3+ Sports- Free

Cap of \$55 per Student

Cap of \$70 per Family



Escalante Middle School Athletic Form Parent/Guardian Permission

I hereby certify that I have examined _____, and that he/she was found physically fit to engage in the following middle school sports (except those crossed out): basketball, football, track, volleyball, and wrestling.

Date _____ Signed _____
Physician

PARENT OR GUARDIAN PERMIT

I hereby give my consent for _____ to compete in athletics for Escalante Middle School in the Colorado High School Activities Association approved sports except those crossed out above. I have reviewed the Durango 9R Middle School Athletic Handbook with my student athlete.

Date _____ Signed _____
Parent or Guardian

Participant's Name _____
(last) (first) (middle)

Date of Birth _____ Parent contact phone # _____

Home Address _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

INSURANCE COVERAGE

I understand my student cannot participate in athletics unless he/she is covered by the School Accident Coverage Plan or the equivalent in a family insurance policy.

Check one:

_____ We have adequate accident and medical insurance to cover any injury which he/she may incur while participating in the interscholastic athletic program. Our insurance company name is _____.

_____ We need to purchase Student Accident Coverage serviced by K&K Insurance Group, Inc. Enrollment forms are available in the office at Escalante or enroll online at www.StudentInsurance-kk.com

Date _____
Signature of Parent or Guardian