

**COMPETITIVE INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES  
GRADES 6-12**

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**I. GRADES 9-12.**

The Board of Education endorses and adopts the requirements set forth in the guidelines of the Georgia High School Association (GHSA), including any amendments thereto, for determining the eligibility of students in grades 9-12 to participate in competitive interscholastic activities. The Board directs the Superintendent to maintain and distribute the current GHSA guidelines to all schools in the system that sponsors competitive interscholastic activities, and to ensure compliance with those guidelines.

Each principal is responsible for properly supervising and regulating competitive activities in his or her school. The principal may delegate responsibility for supervising one or more student activities and clubs to a member or members of his or her professional staff, provided such individuals must act under the principal's direction.

To be eligible for participation, an individual must be enrolled full time in the school that sponsors the competitive activity.

**II. GRADES 6-8.**

The Board of Education is responsible for regulating competitive interscholastic activities in grades 6-8, and therefore adopts the requirements set forth in State Board Rule 160-5-1-.19 Grades 6-8: Competitive Interscholastic Athletics, as to student eligibility, physical examinations, time restrictions, seasonal practice, special provisions and appeals. In addition, all students in grades 6-8 must be promoted to the next grade to participate in competitive interscholastic activities.

The Superintendent is directed to ensure that each school principal properly supervises and regulates competitive activities in his or her school and that all staff members adhere to the requirements set forth in this policy.

Each principal of a school covered by the policy shall maintain documentation of adherence to the requirement of this policy.