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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 199
Inver Grove Heights Community Schools
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PARTICIPATION IN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines to be used for consideration of participation by grade seven or grade eight students who attend Inver Grove Heights Middle School in Simley High School athletic programs.

II. General Statement of Policy

The Inver Grove Heights School District recognizes the need for flexibility in developing teams in the high school athletics program. Coaches who need consideration of non-high school students in order to field a team must contact the District Activities Director. Athletes in grade seven or grade eight should receive consideration for participation in high school athletics when they can demonstrate the skills and athletic ability to play safely at the high school level. Athletes need to be in good standing in all of their academic classes at the middle school and demonstrate the emotional maturity needed for high school competition.

A. Definitions

1. "Participation": Participation in high school athletic activities for grade seven and grade eight is defined as participating in practice and competitive events as a consistent starter at any of the high school levels of competition.

III. Responsibilities

Each sport season the district activities director shall be responsible for providing a complete list of grade seven and grade eight athletes that are participating in Simley High School activities to the Principal of the Middle School. The Middle School Principal will approve all athletes with the Activities Director.