

POLICY JJIB **Board of Education**
Las Cruces Public Schools

Related Entries: JJIB-R, JFB, JFB-R
Responsible Office: Associate Superintendent for Instruction

INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS

I. PURPOSE

It is the philosophy of the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education that student participation in interscholastic activities is a privilege, not a right. Students earn the privilege to participate by adhering to high standards of personal conduct and academic performance.

II. POSITION

- A. Students participating in interscholastic sports activities represent the school district, depict its character, and serve as role models to other students. Accordingly, participants shall be subject to a standard of academic performance and to higher standards of conduct both in and out of the school setting. Continued participation in interscholastic activities shall be conditioned upon observing and maintaining such standards.
- B. Student participation in interscholastic sports activities shall be governed by the New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA) and the LCPS Athletic Handbook.
- C. While the Board of Education recognizes standards set for student athletes by the NMAA, including a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0, the Board strongly encourages all students, including student athletes, to strive for the highest grade point average and the highest level of academic performance possible. The Board further encourages student athletes to recognize that the higher the GPA, the greater the opportunity for entry into colleges, universities, trade schools and other institutions of higher learning, and the greater the potential for success in any career field.
- D. The Superintendent of Schools shall promulgate a regulation for the enforcement of this policy.

III. REVIEW

This policy shall be reviewed on an on-going basis in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

Legal Ref: 22-2-2 NMSA (1978), 6.13.3.8 NMAC, 6.13.4.8 NMAC
History: Previously Policies 304, 306, and 307, Revised 08.08.06, 02.08.10



Board of Education, President

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