

I. OVERVIEW

Jackson Street School offers a wide variety of both interscholastic and intramural sports programs. Jackson Street School is a member of the SISKIYOU COUNTY ATHLETIC LEAGUE [S.C.A.L.], which is composed of nine (10) of the largest elementary schools in our county [Butte Valley, Butteville, Dunsmuir, Grenada, Happy Camp, Montague, Mt. Shasta, Scott Valley, Weed & Yreka]. League interscholastic sports consist of cross-country (coed), volleyball (coed), girls' basketball, boys' basketball, and track (coed). In addition, cheerleading is also a coed sport at Jackson Street School. Fifth & Sixth grade students are allowed to participate in both cross-country and track; the other sports are limited to seventh and eighth grade students.

II. ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT PHILOSOPHY

The coaching staff of Jackson Street School has dedicated itself to the development of the total student athlete. Both the physical and psychological growth of each person is considered when planning and implementing our athletic program. Our staff is aware of the individual needs of youth, as well as the social implications of being able to work as a member of a team. Student athletes will be given the opportunity to develop both physically and socially.

III. ATHLETICS & ACADEMICS (Philosophy)

If unavoidable conflicts occur between classroom related activities and extra-curricular activities (e.g., athletics, clubs, etc.), the classroom activities will have priority in all instances. For academic activities that are not directly classroom related, we will encourage students to choose the academic activity first, if a conflict exists.

IV. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

A. ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY [Board Policy]

Students involved in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities will have to meet the following scholarship requirements. Students must have a minimum overall 2.0 grade point average (G.P.A.) for the current grading period. Also, players and managers may not receive more than one failing grade ("F") in a grading period. Therefore, students must meet eligibility requirements at the quarter grading period prior to and during participation in that sport (if a sport overlaps one grading period).

B. ELIGIBILITY - RESIDENCE (S.C.A.L. By-Law)

1. If a student athlete transfers to a different district, but there is **no change of residency**, then that student would not be eligible to participate in sports for six weeks.

2. If a student athlete transfers to a different district and changes residency to that district, then the student would be eligible to participate in sports immediately, providing he/she was academically eligible in his/her previous school.

C. AGE REQUIREMENT (S.C.A.L. By-Law)

1. No student whose fifteenth (15th) birthday is attained prior to June 15, shall participate or practice on any team. A student whose fourteenth (14th) birthday is attained prior to June 1, shall participate on the eighth grade ("A") team.

V. STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN ATHLETICS

A. PHYSICAL EXAM/HEALTH HISTORY

Student athletes will need to have a **yearly** medical examination form filled out and on file with the school before competing in any interscholastic event [part of our district's physical examination form includes a health history of the student athlete]. Physical exams are good for one (1) year from date of exam. Also, if any student athlete receives a physical injury that necessitates professional medical attention, that athlete **must** receive a clearance from a physician before returning to practice and before participating in athletic competition.

B. PARENTAL PERMISSION

Parental/guardian permission must be received before students may tryout for a sport or participate in that sport.

C. ATHLETIC WARNING

Both parents/guardians and athletes must sign our athletic form warning of the inherent risks involved in interscholastic athletic competition. This must be done and on file with the school before the student athlete may compete in any interscholastic event.

D. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

For all interscholastic sports the school will provide the uniform (e.g., trunks, jersey, practice jersey, travel bag etc.). It will be the student athlete's responsibility to provide appropriate sport shoes, socks, kneepads or whatever the requirements are for the specific sport. Athletes losing or damaging their uniform will be expected to pay the "replacement cost."

E. ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

In order to participate in athletic contests, the student athlete must be present in school on game days. Student athletes, including cheerleaders, missing more than one (1) period of school on days (except for medical or dental appointments, funerals, student activities, or unforeseen emergencies) will not be allowed to participate. On game days, student athletes must also participate in their regular school Physical Education classes.

VI. DISCIPLINE STANDARDS

The following is the policy regarding the behavior of interscholastic athletes. Students who are suspended from school are not allowed to participate in any school activity for the duration of the suspension. Use, possession, or sale of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco will result in the dismissal from the team for the remainder of the season.

If a student athlete is involved in any other serious behavior problem (i.e., charged with a violation of the law while under the school's jurisdictional authority), a sport-related behavior problem, or repeated discipline problems at school, he/she may also be dismissed from the team. A committee composed of the Principal, Athletic Director, and Coach, will make a determination in any of the above cases.

VII. STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR

Individual coaches may set standards of appropriate behavior of student athletes during practice and at games. Athletes who violate these standards may be disciplined by the coach.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION

A. IN COUNTY

Transportation will be by private car most of the time. When a bus is provided, Athletes will be required to ride to the event on the bus. After the event, when a bus is provided, Athletes may be released to their parents/guardians, please sign them out with the coach. In the event that a parent/guardian wants their Athlete to be picked up by someone other than themselves, a Transportation Waiver must be filled out 24 hour in advance and turned into the office. Transportation Waivers may be obtained from the school website. Athletes will only be released to parents/guardians!

B. OUT-OF-COUNTY

Transportation will be by private car. The drivers will be parents of athletes and will be selected by the coach and the Athletic Director. Drivers will also need to have a **SCHOOL DRIVER CERTIFICATE FORM** (insurance statement) on file with the Athletic Director.

IX. HOUSING

For our out-of-county tournaments, players, managers, statisticians and cheerleaders will be housed (usually in groups of 2, 3, or 4) by the host team. Student athletes being housed will need to bring sleeping bags and pillows. If an athlete chooses not to be housed, they will be under their parent's supervision.

X. INSURANCE

All participants must have health insurance. At least one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500) for all medical and hospital expenses. The Yreka Union School District is no longer providing student Accident Insurance coverage. We do offer an application for a voluntary coverage plan that is available for purchase any time during the year. The application describes the coverage, benefits, provisions, and enrollment instructions.

XI. AWARDS

Athletes in all interscholastic sports must attend at least 3/4 of the scheduled practices and attend at least 3/4 of the games, matches, meets, etc., in order to be eligible for any kind of recognition, participation certificate, special awards, etc.

X. INTRAMURAL PROGRAMS

Jackson Street School also offers intramural programs. There is a girls' after-school intramural basketball program for 6-8 grade girls in November and December, followed in January and February by a basketball intramural program for 6-8 grade boys. Also, in February and March there is a night coed intramural program for 5th grade students. Presently, there are no academic eligibility requirements for participation in our intramural programs nor is a physical examination required.

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XII. DIRECTORY OF COACHES

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COACHING STAFF

Principal.....	Chris Harris
Lead Teacher.....	Cindy Brown
Athletic Director.....	Buzzy McCluskey
Cross-Country	Bill Robberson
.....	Megan Ireson-Janke
Volleyball	Buzzy McCluskey
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Girls' Basketball.....	Shanna Schack
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Cheerleading.....	Lynnleigh Novello
6-8 Girls' Intramural Basketball	T.B.A.
.....	T.B.A.
Boys' Basketball	Neal Eller
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6-8 Boys' Intramural Basketball.....	T.B.A.
.....	T.B.A.
4 Intramural Co-Ed Basketball (Supervisor).....	
5 Intramural Co-Ed Basketball (Supervisor).....	
Track.....	Seinth Eng
.....	Buzzy McCluskey
.....	Megan Ireson-Janke
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