

## Parent/Player Helpful Guide for Winter 2021 Pay to Participate

### How do you I pay?

- 1.) Please do **not** pay until tryouts are complete.
- 2.) 2 ways to Pay the Pay to Participate Fee-
  - i. Go to Eisenhower's PaySchools Website using the following link - <https://parent.payschools.com/categories.asp?id=BEA3F1EB33E64FC889D21B68D79517E9&> and click on the Winter Sport you want to pay.
  - ii. Or drop off a check to the Bookkeeper in the Main Office. Please make checks payable to Utica Community Schools. Each player must have their own check.
- 3.) Payments are due as follows:

WINTER – High School			
SPORT	LEVEL	PRACTICE START DATE	FEE DUE DATE
Girls Basketball	9-12	November 8	November 22
Competitive Cheer	9-12	November 8	November 22
Boys Basketball	9-12	November 15	November 29
Wrestling	9-12	November 15	November 29
Boys Swim	9-12	November 22	December 6

### How do I know what the fee is?

- 1.) If this is the first sport of the school year for player A, the player must pay \$165.
- 2.) If this is the second sport of the school year for player A, the player will pay the additional sport amount of \$140. (This player must have played a sport in the Fall to qualify for this amount. It cannot be a sibling who played in the fall.)
- 3.) The maximum amount a family pays for Pay to Participate fee is \$500. An example: If three family members played a fall sport ( $3 \times \$165 = \$495$ ), and one is playing in the Winter (in the same school year) ...you would select family max and type in the remaining amount (\$5) for the Winter Fee.

### I need financial assistance; how do I apply?

- 1.) If you qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch, then you will qualify for financial assistance with the Pay to Participate Fee. **Please note: Free & Reduced Meal Applications expire every October.** Therefore, if you haven't already re-applied, you will need to do so ASAP online at <https://utica.familyportal.cloud> before Free or Reduced Status can be verified.
- 2.) Parents must have read and signed the Financial Assistance Form on Planet HS, before the bookkeeper can verify Free or Reduced assistance for the Pay to Participate Fee.
- 3.) If you qualify for free lunch and have completed the Financial Assistance Form on Planet HS, nothing further is needed. (You will skip PaySchools as **NO** payment will be collected.)
- 4.) If you qualify for reduced lunch, you will pay 25% of the Pay to Participate Fee.  
Examples:  $25\% \text{ of } \$165 = \$41.25$ ,  $25\% \text{ of } \$140 = \$35$ .

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Guigar (Eisenhower's Bookkeeper) at [julie.guigar@uticak12.org](mailto:julie.guigar@uticak12.org) or via her direct line (586) 797-1318.

Wishing you a great season!