

Dual Sport Athlete

Athletes at Newberry High School will be allowed to participate in more than one sport during a particular season. If a student decides to participate in more than one sport at a time, a coach shall in no way discourage this decision. Rather, the coaches involved should work together to make this situation as smooth as possible. Realizing that there is potential for conflicts arising when an athlete is participating in two sports at the same time, the following guidelines will be adhered to:

1. The athlete will declare a primary sport and a secondary sport.
2. A contest will always take precedence over practice in the other sport.
3. A league contest will always take precedence over a non-league contest.
4. A league meet (ex-track) will take precedence over any contest.
5. If league contests are scheduled on the same day, the athlete will participate in his/her primary sport.
6. MHSAA tournament events will take precedence over non-league or league events. In the event that two MHSAA tournaments are held on the same day, the primary sport will take precedence as in #5.
7. If non-league contests are scheduled on the same day, the athlete will participate in his/her primary sport.
8. In the event that it would be possible for an athlete to participate in both sports on the same day, he/she will not be allowed to drive to the second contest. Only an athlete's parent or guardian will be allowed to transport the athlete.
9. Coaches are not to discipline an athlete for a missed practice on a day that the athlete is competing in his/her other sport.
10. On days that an athlete is not in competition, he/she should make an effort to practice both sports. If only one sport can be practiced, it should be the primary sport.
11. The athlete must maintain a GPA of a 3.0 or higher in order to participate in both sports. If he/she falls below the required GPA, then he/she must only participate in their primary sport.
12. An athlete must begin practicing in each of the two sports at the beginning of each sport's season.
13. **Before being allowed to participate in two sports during a season, the athlete, his/her parents/guardian, AD, and the two coaches involved must meet and sign below.**

(Student Athlete) _____ Date: _____

(Parent/Guardian) _____ Date: _____

(Primary Sport) _____ (Coach) _____

(Secondary Sport) _____ (Coach) _____