

Policy

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Guidelines for the Formation of New Interscholastic Sports Programs

The idea for sponsoring a new interscholastic sport must be proposed to and passed by the Athletic Committee. (The intramural program is to be directed by voluntary coaches who must be approved by the Athletic Committee and the full Board of Education.)

The sport must function as an intramural program (meeting three times per week for the duration of the proposed sport's PIAA season) within the school for at least one year, but as many seasons as necessary until it can be established that there is enough participating interest to begin a JV team. The number of participants needed will vary due to the nature of individual sports and will be determined by the Athletic Committee. (Once the school district has agreed to sponsor a JV team in said sport, the school district is to hire coaches to direct the program. At this point, the program must operate under the same rules as would any other sports program sponsored by the Pen Argyl Area School District.)

The proposed sport must operate with an independent JV schedule for a minimum of two seasons, but for as many seasons as necessary until it can be established that there is enough participating interest to field JV and Varsity squads in the absence of sharing players between the two levels. At this time, the Athletic Committee will direct the Principal and the Athletic Director to apply to the league for inclusion into the league schedule.

The proposed sports program will play an independent JV/Varsity schedule for the season following said application to the league for admission in the proposed sport.