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| Bartlett City Board of Education | | 4027 |
| Descriptor Term: INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS | Descriptor Code: Instructional Services | Issue Date: 4/24/2014 |
| | Rescinds: | Revised: |

- 1 No person shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of,
2 be treated differently from another person or otherwise be discriminated against in any athletic
3 program of the school. Equal athletic opportunities shall be provided for members of both sexes.¹
- 4 Interscholastic athletics shall be administered as a part of the regular school program and shall
5 be the principal's responsibility. Principals shall ensure that school regulations regarding
6 participation in a sport are reasonable. Athletic schedules shall be filed in each school principal's
7 office. The principal or his/ her designee must accompany an athletic team on trips. Transportation
8 of teams to athletic games is approved by the Principal or his/her designee.
- 9 Bylaws of the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association shall regulate the operation and
10 control of athletics.²
- 11 In the event that the school's insurance provider does not extend coverage to an athlete, that
12 athlete must provide proof of independently secured catastrophic coverage and liability coverage,
13 with the school system as a named insured, of not less than the limits set forth in T.C.A. §29-20-
14 403.
- 15 Prior to participation in interscholastic athletics, every student must complete an annual physical
16 examination.³ The parents/guardians of each student shall be responsible for covering the cost of
17 the examination, and these records shall be on file in the principal's office. It shall be the
18 responsibility of the parent(s) or guardian to provide health and hospitalization insurance for all
19 students participating in interscholastic athletics.
- 20 No principal or teacher of any school under the control of the Board shall dismiss his/her school
21 or any group of students for the purpose of attending the practice of any interscholastic sport
22 during the school day without written permission from the District Office. This does not prevent
23 the inclusion of regular physical training lessons in the daily school program.⁴
- 24 Coaches, employees, and volunteers of the school district shall not encourage, permit, condone
25 or tolerate hazing activities.⁵

¹ Title IX, Educational Amendment of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §1681 et seq.; 34 C.F.R. §106.41

² TRR/MS 0520-1-2-.08(1)

³ TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(b)

⁴ T.C.A. §49-6-1002

⁵ T.C.A. §49-2-120