

## Whiteford Agricultural Schools

## High School Dual-Sport Participation Policy

Whiteford Agricultural School seeks to provide quality co-curricular athletic opportunities for students. Some students have talents and abilities which motivate them to contribute to more than one team in a particular athletic season in order that both of these teams can benefit.

## Students Participating in Two Activities During the Same Season

Students are allowed to participate in two co-curricular sport activities during the same season. Students wishing to participate in two sports during the same season will need to obtain a request form from the Athletic Director and follow the guidelines set down by the athletic department involving dual sport participation.

## **Rules of Dual-Sport Participation**

- 1. A student who wishes to participate in two sports during the same season must designate a primary sport before the beginning of the first appointed date of practice.
- 2. A primary sport is defined as the sport which takes precedence over another sport in the event there is a conflict of schedule or any other matter that could lead to a conflict. The primary sport coach will work the secondary sport coach to develop a schedule of practices and events.
- 3. The student must practice in both sports but the amount of practice time must meet the agreed requirements of the head coaches of those sports involved.
- Approval may be denied because of academic concerns at any time during the sport season.
- 5. The student and parents or legal guardians must sign a contract of dual-sport participation before the first practice session.
- 6. In the event that a student is disciplined for any infraction in a specific sport or becomes academically ineligible, the consequence will also be applied to the second sport in the season of dual participation.
- 7. A student who is removed from a team due to disciplinary reasons will also be removed from any other teams that they are participating in.
- 8. A student who guits a team will not be allowed to remain on the other team for any reason.
- 9. In the event of a busing or transportation conflict, the parent/guardian must transport their student to the event.
- 10. Requirements for participation in events for dual sport athletes are to be determined by the coach and should be consistent with requirements set for other team members. (Example: if you miss practice, you do not start)
- 11. The coach of the primary sport has the final say on any questions or concerns regarding participation in practices and events. There are no appeals or changes in agreement after the start of the season.
- 12. Requirements for awarding letters and awards for dual sport athletes are to be determined by the coach of each sport.
- 13. Dual-sport athletes will pay the standard annual pay-to-participate fee.
- 14. Prior to the season, the primary and secondary coaches must make other team members aware of the agreement made between the dual sport student, primary sport coach and secondary sport coach.
- 15. All athletic handbook and student handbook rules and policies still apply while participating in a dual-sport agreement.

We, the undersigned, acknowledge that we have read and understand the rules and regulations for dual-sports same-season participation and agree to full compliance for the season specified below:

Year	Season (circle)	Fall	Winter	Spring	
Primary Sport	Secondary	Sport			
Student Name (printed)	Parent/Guardian Name (printed)				
Student Signature	Parent/Guardian Signature				
Primary Coach	Secondary Coach				
Athletic Director	Date	Date			

Please use back of paper to outline any specific terms of participation between primary and secondary sport.