

## Section 7000 – Instructional Program

7210 Interscholastic Athletics

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The Board is committed to providing equal opportunity to compete in interscholastic athletics for both boys and girls and directs its Superintendent and those responsible for athletic programs to recommend programs, which will meet this goal.

In assuming the responsibility of sponsoring interscholastic activities in the Grand Rapids schools, the Board of Education subscribes to the rules and regulations of the Michigan High School Athletic Association and appropriate Michigan School Laws

The Board supports athletic activities as an integral part of the total school curriculum provided that certain procedures are initiated and utilized that serve to facilitate the effectiveness of organizing athletic events and insure the well-being and educational experiences of those students involved. Furthermore, the Board recommends that the Superintendent, in administering the athletic program, implement sufficient guidelines for the purpose of assuring the following:

- a. That competitive athletic programs are maintained for the educational benefits of students.
- b. That priority is placed upon a broad coverage of athletic activities.
- c. That athletic activities, game conditions, and participation are appropriate to the age, maturity, and skills of the students involved.
- d. That each school that has an interscholastic athletic program be responsible for managing and utilizing its gate receipts and athletic funds in accordance with rules and regulations developed by the administration.

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LEGAL REF: MCL 380.1289; OAG, 1977-1978, No 4795, p 190 (August 11, 1977); OAG, 1985-1986, No 6352, p 252 (April 8, 1986); and rules and regulations as published by the Michigan High School Athletic Association