



HAMILTON-WENHAM REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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HWRSD Athletic User Fee Guidelines and Procedures:

It is the practice of the Hamilton-Wenham School District to charge an athletic User Fee to each student-athlete who participates on a High School athletic team. User Fees must be collected prior to the beginning of participation for a student-athlete unless a waiver or other relief is provided.

Athletic registrations and associated User Fees will be collected on-line, through the Family ID registration portal, during the applicable registration period as established by the Athletic Director.

Scholarship Application: An application for financial scholarship is available on the Athletic section of the HWRHS website under the “Athletic Guidelines and Forms” link and must be submitted prior to the beginning of participation for a student-athlete to the High School Building Principal.

The Principal will evaluate the completed form and will determine if the student-athlete is eligible for a Scholarship. For those who do not have access to the internet, please contact the athletic office for copies of the application.

Athletic Operating Budget: The approved Operating Budget for FY23 includes funding that covers approximately 62% of the total costs of the High School Athletic Program.

Tiered Approach: Beginning in FY23 Athletic Fees will have a tiered approach. Each year’s athletic costs will determine the fees of various sports within the tiers. Tier 1 is Hockey. Tier 2 is Football and Gymnastics, and Tier 3 contains all other sports.

(*) Please note, should ski be fully approved in the 2022-23 year, families would be 100% responsible for the cost of this program for this year. The approval process will occur after the budget was complete and, therefore, families are fully responsible for this school year’s ski fees.

(*) Please also note, MySchoolBucks charges a 4.95% fee for online payment that will be added to these amounts for all users, regardless of the method of payment.

TIER	SPORT	AMOUNT
Tier 1	Ice Hockey	\$1,000
Tier 2	Football, Gymnastics	\$700
Tier 3	All other Sports	\$480
**	Ski	TBA

Family Cap:

- Money previously applied to the Family Cap program will be applied across all sports going forward. Therefore, beginning with the 2022-23 school year, the Family Cap program no longer exists within the Athletic Department.
- As stated prior in this document, Scholarships are available through the Scholarship Application process.

Refunds:

- Full reimbursement will be provided when a student-athlete withdraws from a sport prior to the first day of that athletic season. The first day of practice / tryouts for each sport can be found on the Athletic Section of the HWRHS Web Site under "Registration Information."
- Student-athletes who do not make a team within the program after the tryout period will be eligible for a full refund.
- Students-athletes who move out of the district during a season will be eligible for a prorated refund.
- Student-athletes who are unable to participate in an activity because of illness or injury (physician's statement required) will be eligible to receive a prorated refund.

Examples of situations when a refund will not be provided:

- A student-athlete is dismissed from a team due to disciplinary issues.
- A student-athlete is placed on a non-desired level within the program as compared to a desired level (at any time during the season). This situation does not constitute the student-athlete being "cut" from the program.
- A student-athlete is deemed ineligible to compete because they do not meet MIAA and/or HWRHS academic eligibility requirements.
- A student-athlete withdraws from a team after the first day of practice.