

INTRODUCTION

This booklet has been prepared to provide parents and students with an overview of the Concord-Carlisle High School Interscholastic Athletic Program and the policies, procedures and rules that govern it. Questions regarding any material in this booklet, as well as questions about any aspect of the program not addressed in this booklet, should be directed to Mr. Brent Clark, Director of Athletics at 978-341-2490 x7160. Mr. Clark will either provide the information requested or refer the caller to the person who can best respond to the inquiry.

Concord-Carlisle High School is a member of the MASSACHUSETTS INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (MIAA), whose purpose is to organize, regulate and promote interscholastic athletics for secondary schools of Massachusetts. As an MIAA member school, CCHS abides by the regulations and subscribes to the guidelines set forth by this organization.

On a local level CCHS belongs to the DUAL COUNTY LEAGUE (DCL) and, as a result, we compete against teams from Acton-Boxborough, Bedford, Boston Latin, Lincoln-Sudbury, Newton South, Wayland, Westford Academy, and Weston High School. We also compete against teams from other schools, and these are referred to as non-league opponents. There is only one sport at CCHS for which competition is totally non-league and that is fencing.

PHILOSOPHY OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

A program of interscholastic athletics is offered to all students in good standing at Concord-Carlisle High School. When possible, teams are entered in competition with other schools at the FRESHMAN, JUNIOR VARSITY (JV) AND VARSITY LEVELS at CCHS. Participation is one of the primary objectives of our program. As many players as possible will be given an opportunity to take part in each contest. However, each coach must determine his/her personal requirements after consideration of his/her game plan, strategy and quality of competition. Through participation, the individual will develop a healthier body, sound mind and a better understanding of individual differences. Participation teaches a student that discipline; self-sacrifice and cooperation are necessary ingredients of teamwork if worthwhile goals are to be accomplished. Participants must learn to abide by the rules, regulations and decisions of the coach and game officials. There must be mutual respect for all that are involved in the competition: teammates, opponents, coaches, and officials.

Members of the athletic staff are expected to abide by the rules and regulations and officials' decisions that govern each sport, maintain the highest standard of ethics, recognize each participant as an individual, conduct themselves befitting their responsibilities, and develop a rapport with the school community that will improve the total school educational program. As in the academic and business world, success in athletics is desirable. Using all the latest coaching techniques while playing according to the rules of the game, each coach will make a strong effort to place a team on the field or court that will be a credit to Concord-Carlisle High School.