



Georgia Department of Education

Policies and Procedures

Policy Title:	Interscholastic Athletics, State Schools		
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Purpose

To provide for guidance for interscholastic activities programming at the State Schools.

Applicability

This policy applies to the Atlanta Area School for the Deaf, the Georgia Academy for the Blind and the Georgia School for the Deaf.

Policy

Interscholastic activities offered for students at the State Schools shall follow all policies, procedures, by-laws, rules and guidelines as sanctioned by DOE policy and the Georgia High School Athletic Association (GHSA).

General Provisions

1. The School Director or designee shall regulate competitive interscholastic activities at State Schools.
2. The School Director or her designee shall maintain documentation regarding student eligibility.
3. All students who participate in competitive interscholastic athletics shall have an annual physical examination prior to participating in any tryout, practice or conditioning. The physical examination shall indicate approval for participation and be signed by a doctor of medicine. The physical examination form shall also include the month, day and year the exam was performed, the students name and the physician's signature and a statement of limitations.
4. Competitive interscholastic activities and all individual and group practice for such activities shall be conducted outside the school day. The school day shall be defined as the period between the time students are required to report and the time of dismissal as specified by school policy. School Directors may grant waivers on a case-by-case basis.

**Authority and/or
Cross-Reference**

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