

Regional School District 13 • Middlefield - Durham

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Winter Sports 2019 - 2020

PAY TO PARTICIPATE

The Board of Education implemented a PAY TO PARTICIPATE fee for all student athletes participating in CIAC sanctioned interscholastic sports programs and cheerleading. This fee does not apply to intramurals. The fee charged will cover all sports programs during the 2019-2020 school year. Please read the Sports Fee Regulations below. **Please note, if a sport encompasses multiple seasons, a \$100 fee will be charged for each sport season.*

1. A student athlete participating in a Regional School District 13 athletic program will be charged \$100 per athletic season. The district has a maximum amount of \$200 per athlete and \$300 per family, per school year*.
2. The \$100 pay to participate fee will not be charged to athletes participating in Cooperative teams not sponsored by Regional School District 13. However, any fees paid to the sponsor team for such Cooperative teams does not count towards the \$200 athlete max or the \$300 family max for Regional School District 13.
3. Payment of the fee is to be made only after the student is officially on the team roster. All payments MUST be made prior to the first athletic contest.
4. Participants who have not paid their fee will not be given a uniform until such payment is made.
5. Waivers of the fee are available through the building principal for either the full amount or a 50% reduction. Requests for waivers must be submitted in writing at the time the payment is due. Waiver requests are based on financial need as determined by qualifying criteria based on The USDA Income Eligibility Guidelines.
6. Refunds will only be given for medical conditions with a doctor's note and only for the prorated amount. Refunds **WILL NOT** be given for students who voluntarily leave the athletic activity.

Payment of these fees may be completed by using the parent payment portal online link at <https://schoolpaymentportal.com/Default.aspx>. The payment portal will open on December 9,, 2019. **The pay to participate fee is non-refundable and will not be returned if your child does not make the team or decides to leave the team. We kindly ask that you not pay this fee until after your child has completed try-outs and is officially on the team.** If you prefer to make a payment via check, please make it payable to "Regional School District 13 General Fund". Checks are to be handed in to the main office.

*The family cap encompasses students participating at both Strong Middle and Coginchaug Regional High Schools.