

FAQ

Family Cap for Extracurricular Activities for the 2016-17 School Year

Q: What is the definition of a household for the purposes of applying/qualifying for the family cap?

A: Students residing at the same physical address and sharing a common parent/guardian are considered a household when applying/qualifying for a family cap. The current physical address in the student's record is the address that is used for applying/qualifying for the family cap.

Q: My team conducted fundraising to help offset participation fees; do those dollars count towards the family cap?

A: Yes, any fundraising dollars used in conjunction with dollars used from the participant's family count toward the family cap.

Q: My family was awarded an Athletic Participation Fee Scholarship from the Community Foundation; do those dollars count towards the family cap?

A: Yes, as long as the participant's family paid their portion of the participation fee, the entire amount of the participation fee is counted towards the family cap.

Q: My student(s) participate in club sports or other club activities; do those fees count towards the family cap?

A: No, currently only interscholastic athletics offered through the district athletic department, marching band and winter guard are eligible to count towards the family cap for the 2016-17 school year. However, this is still under evaluation.

Q: My student(s) participate in Marching Band and Winter Guard; do these fees count towards the family cap?

A: Yes, these activities will count towards the family cap and can be combined with athletic fees to meet the cap.

Q: Do the school fees paid for academic classes count towards the family cap?

A: No, only extracurricular fees paid for interscholastic athletics offered through the district athletic department, marching band and winter guard are eligible to count towards the family cap for the 2016-17 school year.

Q: Is the family cap automatically applied to my student(s) account(s)?

A: No, a parent/guardian of the household must submit the family cap form to the athletic or main office of the building in which the oldest participant attends. For example, if a family has students in both junior high and high school that participate in extracurricular activities, the form must be submitted to the high school athletic office in which the student attends.

Q: If I believe my family has exceeded the cap during the 2016-17 fall season for our family size, would I receive a refund for any amount above the cap?

A: Possibly. The family must submit the family cap form for verification. Upon verification, if the family has any outstanding fees for non-extracurricular activities, any overage would be applied to those fees first before a refund would be issued. If no other fees are owed, the full refund will be given.

Q: If my family has an outstanding balance for fees that are not extracurricular related, does that impact my ability to qualify for a family cap?

A: If families have outstanding balances for school fees, those must be paid in full before a family cap for extracurricular activities will be applied. If families have questions or concerns about non-extracurricular fees, please see your building principal to discuss.

Q: How is the family cap applied to my student(s) account(s)?

A: The student(s) would be invoiced the current fee (\$200 for high school and/or \$150 for junior high school) and once the family cap has been applied for and approved, a family cap payment code (credit) would be applied to the student(s) account(s). Any remaining balance would be the responsibility of the family to pay in order to continue participation in the activity.