

Brown Winter Running / Spring Track

6th Grade Participation Policy (2026–2027)

Program Goal

The goal of the track & field program is to maximize the opportunity to belong and participate while maintaining a safe, productive environment for all team members. With that goal in mind, the following policy outlines how 6th graders may earn a spot on the spring roster.

Winter Running Details

- **Meeting Schedule:** Mondays and Thursdays until 4:00 PM.
- **Start Date:** TBD.
- **Key Criterion:** Selection for the spring team is based strictly on attendance and positive behavior—**not on speed or endurance**.

Participation & Eligibility Guidelines

- **80% – 100% Attendance:** Students who attend, participate actively, and maintain positive behavior for 80%–100% of winter sessions will be invited to join as **full-time team members**.
- **60% – 80% Attendance (Waitlist):** Students who meet this threshold but missed sessions regularly due to another official school activity (e.g., Model UN, school musical, math team) will be **waitlisted**.
 - *Roster Limit:* The entire program across 6th, 7th, and 8th grades is capped at **100 members**. Waitlisted 6th graders may be invited if space permits, but admission is not guaranteed.
- **Below 60% Attendance:** Students with lower attendance or unexcused absences will not be eligible to join the spring track team.

Additional Context for Families

We recognize that winter schedule conflicts may prevent some students from running in the winter. While this policy may disappoint some non-participants, it is designed to ensure:

1. No student is cut based on athletic capability or experience.
2. Full participation opportunities remain open for all 7th and 8th graders.