

**CLINTON-MASSIE LOCAL SCHOOLS**  
**Athletic Handbook**



**CLINTON-MASSIE**  
**FALCONS**

# ATHLETIC HANDBOOK

## *Purpose of Clinton-Massie Athletics*

### *To Educate Students Through Athletics*

#### Goals of CM Athletics:

Instill good sportsmanship and personal integrity.

Develop loyalty to the group/ability to function with others as a team.

Grow appreciation for the benefits of hard work, motivation and perseverance in both winning and losing situations.

Establish pride in accomplishments gained through fair and honest means.

## PHILOSOPHY

### **Confidence, Respect, Compassion, Integrity**

These four words should be a guide for all Clinton-Massie High School and Middle School Athletes.

When you graduate from Clinton-Massie, you will have all of these values. You will have the confidence to succeed, to attain the impossible, be relentless and have the perseverance to push through the many obstacles that stand before you. You will have respect for yourself, your team, your school, your community and your opponents. You will have compassion for others and be willing to put yourself in another's shoes to build effective relationships. Lastly, you will have integrity. You will always be willing to do the right thing on the field of competition and thereafter. You will have integrity when making difficult decisions and stick by those decisions when the time comes. With these 4 values, you will become an exceptional person and graduate this program on the way to becoming a successful adult.

Expectations and consequences for athletes at Clinton-Massie are found in this handbook. In addition, no person is guaranteed a place on our teams. Clinton-Massie Local Schools strongly feel that participation in interscholastic athletics is a privilege, not a right; this has been upheld in a number of court cases. You are selected as a member of a team in the following ways: those with superior qualifications (talent) will be considered first. However, talent alone will not guarantee you a place on our teams. Other factors such as academics, emotional control, attitude, desire, cooperation, trust, responsibility and self-discipline will all play important parts in your making the team and then staying on the team.

The Athletic Handbook applies to all students in grades 7-12 of the school. Students during the full duration of his/her athletic career must adhere to it. Consequences may extend beyond the school year into a new school year.

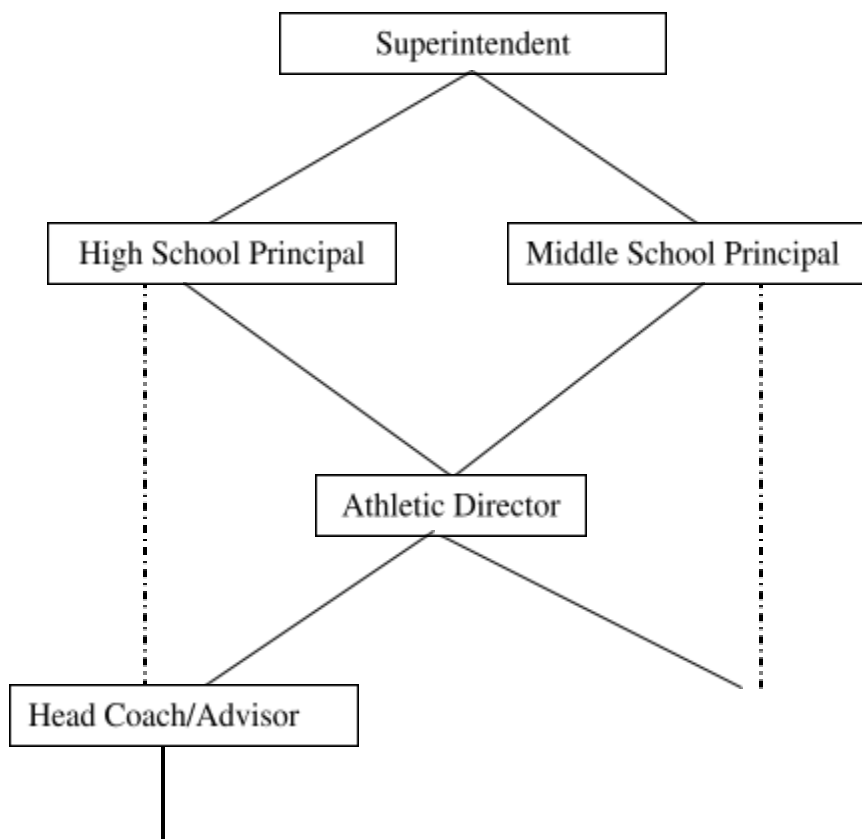
## DEFINITIONS

- Athlete: Any student participating in an athletic sport as a contestant, manager or cheerleader.
- Athletic Activity: Any athletic team in which a varsity letter may be earned.
- Support Activity: Any board sponsored activity that does not award a varsity letter.
- Drug/Alcohol Rehabilitation Program: A recognized treatment program with a history of positive results. (All costs for assessment, treatment, rehabilitation, or counseling shall be the responsibility of the athlete and his/her family.)
- Out-of-Season: At any time, other than when the athlete is in season.
- Penalty Carry Over: Consequences carried over into another sport season or school year.
- Possession: The custody and control of property.
- Sport Season (in season): The season begins with the first day of organized practice as defined by the Ohio High School Athletic Association, and after league Awards Banquet has been held.

## CHAIN OF COMMAND (for students and parents)

### Chain of Command

If you have a concern, please follow the chain of command to voice your concern.



Middle School Coach/Advisor

Middle School Assistant

If you are not sure of the Coach's name or how to contact him/her, call the Athletic Office at 289-2151. The Athletic Director will: 1) Advise you as to the person in the chain you should contact and give you the information you need to do so; 2) After you have spoken with the coach the athletic director will conduct an internal investigation into your concern or problem and get back to you; 3) If there is a problem in contacting the proper person, they will contact the proper person and have him/her contact you; or 4) If you desire, set up a conference with you, the coach, himself/herself, and the principal.

The Athletic Program, Philosophy, Goals, and Handbook will be used as a guideline in resolving problems. The Administration wants to help in any way possible to resolve problems. Input from parents, students, and fans can be beneficial in improving our athletic program and making it the best in the area. We feel that the Chain of Command listed will help eliminate serious problems and confusion.

### **ATHLETIC CONFERENCE**

Clinton-Massie High School is a member of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) and the Southern Buckeye Athletic and Academic Conference. (SBAAC) We will compete for League Championships in the following Varsity sports: Baseball, Boys and Girls Basketball, Boys and Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys and Girls Golf, Boys and Girls Soccer, Softball, Boys and Girls Tennis, Boys and Girls Track, Volleyball, Boys and Girls Bowling, and Wrestling.

### **SPORTS SEASONS**

Once a student has become an athlete at Clinton-Massie, that student will be considered to be an athlete until he or she graduates. As such, the athlete will be governed by Handbook regulations. The sports season starts the first day of tryouts and is officially over after the League Banquet is held.

## SCHOLARSHIP

As a member of the OHSAA, Clinton-Massie Local Schools subscribe to the Academic Standards for Interscholastic Athletes, set by that organization. For a complete summary of guidelines go to <http://ohsaa.org/eligibility/EligibilityGuidelinesGuidanceCounselors.pdf>

1. In order to be eligible in grades 9-12, a student must be currently enrolled and must have been enrolled in school the immediately preceding grading period. During the preceding grading period, the student must have received passing grades in a minimum of 5 one-credit courses or the equivalent, which count toward graduation. (Athletes that are not passing five (5) credits toward graduation will be ineligible for the entire grading period)
2. Once eligibility is established, students will be ineligible for athletic purposes for a period determined by the OHSAA should they leave Clinton Massie. Refer to the OHSAA Website for more information.
3. Students enrolled in courses for college credit have slightly different guidelines. Speak with a school administrator for more information or visit the OHSAA website.
4. Non-enrolled students must submit grades to be reviewed at the time same time that grades are released at Clinton Massie per OHSAA rules. *If grades cannot be presented at that time the student will be declared ineligible* until such time that grades are submitted and deemed to be in compliance with policy. **It is the responsibility of the athlete** to secure the grades from the school of attendance and present them to the athletic director.

### **1. Extracurricular Participation Statement of Purpose**

What does it mean to have Falcon Pride? Clinton-Massie Local Schools believes that appropriately-conducted high school/middle school extracurricular activities can be among the most important elements in preparing our students to be model citizens. More specifically, our extracurricular programs exist for the purpose of helping our students meet the high expectations established for them at Clinton-Massie Local Schools. Participation in extracurriculars can help to increase the likelihood that our students will develop the essential skills, desirable attitudes, and work ethic that is needed for future success in life. These skills, among other intangibles, are the primary reason for maintaining diverse opportunities for extracurricular activities at CMHS and CMMS. In order to consistently represent Falcon Pride outside the classroom, we have established the following codes and expectations for our representatives while participating in extracurriculars.

### **Expectations for Students Representing CMLS**

All students in extracurricular activities representing CMLS will:

- Accept and understand the responsibility and privilege of representing their school and community
- Demonstrate active involvement in their activity
- Acquire the basic skills and essentials of teamwork necessary for task completion
- Exhibit:

1. Sportsmanship
2. Leadership
3. Respect for others
4. Understanding
5. Hard work
6. Commitment
7. Discipline
8. Personal integrity

9. Self-control
10. Responsibility
11. Good citizenship
12. Accountability
13. Acceptance

- Develop self-knowledge (e.g. awareness of strengths, areas in need of further development, and strategies for success)
- Demonstrate pride in themselves, their community, their school, and their team
- Recognize the importance of a healthy lifestyle
- Maintain eligibility in accordance with CMLS requirements
- Knowing when it's appropriate to place the good of the group above themselves

## **2. Eligibility Requirements**

**ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY:** We follow the OHSAA academic eligibility standards, as stated in Bylaw 4-4-1, which states, "...at the conclusion of the preceding grading period, the student must have received passing grades in a minimum of five (5) one-credit courses or the equivalent..." Students in grades 7 or 8 must pass a minimum of four subjects in the preceding grading period. Any student who does not meet those standards is ineligible to participate during the current grading period.

**EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY:** In addition to the OHSAA guidelines for athletic teams, the following policy will be in effect for all extracurricular participants at Clinton-Massie Local Schools as per Board approval of these standards:

*To be eligible for extracurricular activities at Clinton-Massie, an extracurricular participant must pass all of his/her classes, thus having no failing grades for the grading period.*

1. Any failing grade, in any class, qualifies for this process.
2. If an extracurricular participant does not meet the eligibility standards at the end of each intervention period (two weeks), the extracurricular participant will be ineligible to participate in group contests for 10% of the scheduled contests.
3. The extracurricular participant that is ineligible will, at the beginning of the new grading period, have their eligibility checked on Fridays of each week. If at any time during grade checks the extracurricular participant fails to meet the requirements of no Fs in all the extracurricular participant classes, the extracurricular participant will remain ineligible until all grades are passing. Grades will be checked on Friday, which will determine the eligibility for Sunday to Sunday of the next week. "Incomplete" is not considered a grade. If a student has an I (incomplete), the Athletic Director/Advisor will check the grade to determine the extracurricular participant's eligibility. If an extracurricular participant's incomplete should become or is a failing grade, that extracurricular participant will be deemed ineligible. If it were a quarter grade, the extracurricular participant would be ineligible under the quarter rules. In addition, an extracurricular participant must have an academic quarter minimum GPA of 2.0 to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities as per Board approval of these standards.
4. The placement of CCP classes within the eligibility requirements is still being determined by OHSAA at this time. Once established by OHSAA, CMLS will follow the set parameters.

All parents, extracurricular participants, and coaches are advised of these standards at preseason meetings, and the Extracurricular Handbook is available on Final Forms

### **SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

Students who leave school early because of illness cannot attend or participate in any after-school activity. Students who come to school late must be in attendance by **9:00 am** in order to attend or participate in any after-school activity. Students who are absent all day because of illness cannot attend or participate in any after-school activity that day.

1. If you arrive after 9:00 am for any reason; or leave early because of illness; or if you are absent all day because of illness, you cannot attend or participate in any after school activity that day (i.e., practices, competitions, performances, clubs, dances).
2. The principal or his designee may permit attendance or participation **if approved** for just cause. (College visit, court hearing, funeral, doctor's appointment, etc.)
3. If a student attends courses off campus they must attend their regularly scheduled off-campus course in order to participate in events that day.
4. If a student schedule allows for a late arrival, they must be on **time for their first class**, even if there is a delay in the regular start time. For example, if there is a delay in the school day due to weather, a student **on late arrival is expected to be at school on time for their first scheduled class** in order to participate in events that evening. No additional grace period is

granted. They must plan accordingly.

The Principal or Athletic Director may permit attendance or participation, if approved, for just cause. Examples are: College Visits, Funerals, Court Hearings, Dental or Doctor Appointments, Emergencies. For any other questions regarding attendance, please refer to the Student Handbook.

## **Open Enrollment Information:**

The Clinton-Massie Board of Education voted to approve Open Enrollment at a regular Board Meeting on March 30, 2009. Refer to OHSAA.org to see how open enrollment and transfers can effect athletic eligibility.

## **DENIAL OF PARTICIPATION/DUE PROCESS**

If the need arises for any participant to be removed from a team, other than a Drug, Alcohol, or tobacco violation, the coach/advisor will meet with the Principal/Athletic Director before any action is taken. The participant and his/her parents will then have the option to meet with the coach/advisor and an administrator in an informal meeting with notification of action given at this time. The athlete will be given the right to appeal the decision to the Building Principal. The participant will not be allowed to participate during the appeal process.

## **PRACTICES**

- All Clinton-Massie athletic practices are to be scheduled, organized and directly supervised by the Head Coach/Advisor.
- When scheduling athletic activities and practice sessions, administrators, coaches, and sponsors are to keep in mind the health, welfare and educational program of the student participants.
- The time, place and date of all practice sessions will be predetermined with adequate notice given to all participants.
- Practice will be concluded and athletes dismissed at the scheduled time.
- All practice sessions will be concluded by 9:00 PM, Monday through Saturday.
- Practice sessions of any nature on Sundays must be approved by the Athletic Director or Principal and will only be held on a voluntary basis.
- Exceptions to any of the above, must be approved by the Athletic Director.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

The Clinton-Massie Board of Education will provide transportation to and from all athletic contests, unless other arrangements are made. All participants will ride the school-provided transportation to and from the contest. The parents/legal guardians may provide transportation home from an athletic event, if they put this request in writing and present it to the Coach, Athletic Director or Principal. This may be done prior to or after the contest via a

sign-out sheet signed by the parent or guardian. Students are only permitted to ride to and from a contest with **THEIR PARENTS or GUARDIANS**. Many schools do not allow this option due to the chaotic nature of the after-game time and the liability on schools to return athletes safely to schools.

Clinton Massie is geographically unique in that we are very rural. We recognize that sometimes transportation home from events becomes problematic for parents and to meet the needs of families in certain situations and on rare occasions we are implementing an exception to the policy. Parents may designate up to three alternate adult transportation providers in Final Forms at the beginning of the school year. Please choose carefully as this will be your only option other than riding the school-provided transportation or parent transport back to school. These adults will be allowed to sign your athlete out from an event and transport them home. You will not be able to call or send notes to have your athlete ride home with others throughout the school year, so please do not ask. **WATCH FOR THE DEADLINE FOR CHANGES. AFTER THE DEADLINE, NO CHANGES WILL BE ALLOWED.**

#### **ACTIVITY and TRANSPORTATION FEE (Board approved Summer 2024)**

Students participating in District Extracurricular Activities are required to pay fees set as follows:

- \$100 Activity participation fee per student per activity
- \$175 Transportation fee per student per activity (if team travels more than three times)(May be waived by School Administration per school year, if applicable)

The extracurricular participation and transportation fees will be input into DASL based on roster submitted to the Treasurer and EMIS Coordinator. The fees are to be paid **online or to the secretary in the respective school office.**

The extracurricular activity fees are not waived due to free and/or reduced lunch eligibility.

If there are outstanding extracurricular activity fees from prior school year(s), the student cannot participate in current year extracurricular scrimmages or contests until such fees are paid.

Non-enrolled students must pay their fees before they can participate in any scrimmages or games as their fees cannot be added to their school fees for collection.

#### **OVERNIGHT ATHLETIC TRIPS**

Regularly scheduled trips, practices, or scrimmages that require teams to stay overnight must be approved by the Clinton-Massie Board of Education. Upon Board approval the student Athletes will be required to fill out an overnight trip form to be given to the Athletic Director prior to the student leaving on the trip. Teams, Coaches or individuals who are invited to participate in the OHSAA tournaments will be permitted overnight privileges.

## **When an Athlete/Team Qualifies for the State Finals**

Coaches must fill out the necessary paperwork to allow for travel reimbursement. Coaches will be reimbursed as per Clinton-Massie Board policy and rate.

**Rooms:** \$150.00 per room per day

**Food:** \$36.00 per participant per day (not cumulative) If the stay is one day you will receive \$36. If the stay is three days you will get \$36 for each day. Any spent over the \$36.00 per must be covered by that individual. This amount may be prorated based on the time the athlete/coach is at the Tournament. Prorated amount would be \$12.00 per meal.

**Travel:** Board approved coaches, if driving their own vehicle, will be paid mileage per current rate from Clinton-Massie to the event site and back.

## **USE OF FACILITIES**

No one is to use the gymnasium, weight room, practice fields or the game fields unless the Athletic Director or Principal approves the use and the planned supervision.

## **POSTPONEMENT DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

Activities will not be conducted on days or evenings when school is not in session due to severe weather unless approved by the Superintendent. Athletic contests scheduled for days that school has been canceled may be played if there is mutual consent between the participating schools. Middle school practices and events are canceled automatically if school is canceled due to weather, except for extenuating circumstances.

## **SUMMER CAMPS**

With the increasing number of summer camps for athletes, the following points must be stressed:

1. ALL MONEY collected from participants will be turned into the school treasurer. This money can be used at that coach's discretion towards future purchases.
2. At no time should students be told that camp attendance is a prerequisite for making a team.
3. School facilities and equipment will not be used without the approval of the Athletic Director or the Principal.
4. Camps and clinics are held at the discretion of the coach/advisor.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS**

All members of extracurricular groups must adhere to the *Extracurricular Behavior Expectations* set forth by the district.

All Clinton-Massie students will subscribe to the Behavior Code spelled out in the CMMS and CMHS Handbook. However, because of the nature of extra-curricular activities, head coaches/advisors may establish expectations for their athletes, which exceed those for the remainder of the student body. These expectations must be in writing, reasonable in nature and consistently enforced. A signed copy is to be maintained by the coach during the season.

**DISCIPLINARY ACTION:** A student under any type of school disciplinary action, including academic eligibility, will not be allowed to be on the sideline in school apparel during an athletic event.

**SUSPENSION FROM SCHOOL:** Any student under disciplinary suspension from Clinton-Massie will not be eligible for participation in any extra-curricular activity during the suspension.

### **DRUGS, ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES or FOUND GUILTY OF A CRIME:**

\*Using, purchasing, selling or possession of any type of drug (mind or physically altering chemicals), other than those the athlete may be using for medical purposes, is PROHIBITED. If taken for medical purposes, the athlete must have a doctor's note.

\*The drinking, purchasing, or possession of alcoholic beverages of any kind is PROHIBITED.

\*The using, purchasing, selling or possession of tobacco products in any form is PROHIBITED.

\*The using, purchasing, selling or possession of vaping products in any form is PROHIBITED.

\*Any Athlete convicted of any felony will be ineligible for one calendar year from the date of the conviction.

### **VIOLATION (IN-SEASON OR OUTSIDE OF THE SEASON):**

**1st OFFENSE: IF SELF-REPORTED-** Offender will not be eligible to participate in 20% of all scheduled contests. (A game must be played in order to count toward the suspension.) The offending athlete will be required to attend and complete an appropriate treatment program

before he/she will be allowed to participate again. The athlete will pay for the cost of the program.

**\*\*** If the extracurricular participant does not complete his/her 20% in the season the violation occurred, the remainder of the suspension would be assessed in their next sport season.

**IF CONFIRMED BY INVESTIGATION-** Offender will not be eligible to participate in 30% of all scheduled contests.

**2ND OFFENSE:** Denial of participation, effective immediately, 1 calendar year from the date of the second offense. The offending athlete will be required to attend and complete an appropriate treatment program before he/she will be allowed to participate again. The athlete will pay for the cost (if any) of the program.

**3rd OFFENSE:** Denial of participation in extracurricular activities at Clinton-Massie Local Schools for the remainder of the student's high school career from the date of the third offense.

\*Extracurricular participants must be academically eligible in order to serve disciplinary action as a result of an Athletic Handbook violation. Therefore, a student must be eligible to serve his/her suspension. If not eligible to serve the suspension at the time it occurs, it will be served in the next season in which eligible. In addition, a suspension can only be served if an athlete actually participates on a team and completes a season with that team.

Non-school sports do not count toward the athletic suspension of an athlete. Club sports determine their own team disciplinary policies.

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#### **NEW STUDENTS UNDER SUSPENSION AT PREVIOUS SCHOOL:**

If it is verified by the Athletic Director or Principal that a new student has been in violation of the Clinton-Massie Drug, Alcohol, Tobacco and Crime Policy prior to enrollment at Clinton-Massie, that student will be subject to the same rules and consequences as listed in this Handbook for Clinton-Massie students. However, the coach/advisor and either the Principal or Athletic Director will meet with the student and parents/guardians to discuss the discovery and to review the consequences and expectations of the Clinton-Massie student.

#### **GROOMING STANDARDS**

The following grooming and dress rules will be adhered to by team members:

1. The hair and facial hair should be neatly trimmed. "Neatly trimmed" will be at the discretion of the Coach and Athletic Director

2. An athlete shall dress presentably at all times when representing Clinton-Massie.
3. Only uniforms and accessories issued by the Athletic Department, or purchased uniforms will be permitted to be worn for an athletic event. The uniforms **MUST BE WORN AS DESIGNED BY THE MANUFACTURER.**
4. Items such as sweatbands, compression shirts, wristbands, etc. will be at the discretion of the coach.
5. School dress code will apply at all times

## **ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION**

Students may participate in more than one athletic team per season. The student, Athletic Director, Parents, and Both coaches involved will need to meet prior to the start of that season. That meeting will document the athlete's priority sport (priority sport will have precedence for all games/practices). The meeting will also determine the athletes schedule for both sports for the entire season. **BOTH COACHES MUST AGREE.** Some sports will lend themselves to this procedure, and others will not. It is important that the **COACHES have the final say in the matter**, as it is their programs that will be directly impacted by such decisions.

Students who are enrolled at Clinton-Massie Local Schools will not be eligible to try out for a team after the first day of practice for that team, unless prearranged with the coach or AD.

Students new to the district will be given an opportunity to try out for a team during that season given they meet all academic standards and have completed Final Forms registration. Participation in events at Clinton-Massie cannot occur until athletes have been cleared by the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

## **MEDICAL RELEASES**

Any athlete who misses a contest due to injury or prolonged sickness must have a release form signed by a doctor on file with the Athletic Trainer before they can participate again.

## **Concussion Policy**

All Athletes will need to read and sign a concussion release form in order to participate. This is in Final Forms. Athletes must submit a return to play form when returning from concussion.

## **QUITTING OR REMOVAL FROM A TEAM**

If a student quits a team, the Head Coach, Principal and Athletic Director will make the final decision on whether that student may return. Any penalty involved in such a return will be decided upon prior to the student being placed back on the team. Any athlete who has been dismissed from the team will not be eligible to participate in any other extra-curricular event/team during that same sports season. However, if both coaches agree, the athlete may move on to another team in that season. They may continue to participate in any support activity they were involved with.

If the participant is cut from a squad due to ability, or stops trying out prior to cuts being made, that individual may try out for another team in the same season. The participant must get written approval from the Coach/Advisor of the new squad prior to trying out. The student must also be aware that no extra tryout time will be given. If cuts have been made, the student **will not** be allowed to try out.

If an athlete walks off the field of play or quits in the middle of a contest, that athlete will face consequences for their actions. This behavior is typically done to make a negative statement against a coach, a parent, a teammate, or a situation. The field of play is not an athlete's stage for such a statement. There are other avenues for conflict resolution. If this situation occurs, the athlete will meet with the athletic director to discuss what happened. If they wish to return to the team they will need to meet with the coach to discuss whether or not they will be welcomed back. If they are welcomed back they will be suspended from 10% of the total number of scheduled season contests (not the total remaining contests). If they do not return to the team, they will miss 10% of the next season in which he/she or participates, and they will need to meet with the coach of the next sport to discuss what happened. If they do not return to the team they will not be eligible for any post-season awards.

## **EQUIPMENT TURN IN**

Students are responsible for and expected to maintain proper care of all equipment issued to them. Students are responsible for payment of any lost, stolen or damaged items. Each item not returned will be assessed at a rate comparable to the current replacement cost. All equipment is to be returned freshly laundered to their coach at the completion of the season or when an athlete leaves the team. Fees will be added and grades will be withheld for those who do not return or pay for lost/damaged equipment. A cleaning fee will be added to school fees for any uniforms turned in without first being laundered. Additionally, those student athletes will not be allowed to participate in another sport until which time the equipment is returned or paid for. Student-athletes are not to wear uniforms, either practice or game, at any time other than those allowed by specified team regulations. Students are not allowed to purchase uniforms or equipment that will be used in subsequent seasons.

## **ATHLETIC LETTER POLICY**

Requirements for earning a Clinton-Massie High School letter are:

1. The athlete must be a member of the squad at the end of the season.
2. The athlete must fulfill the participation requirements for his/her sport which are:

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| <b>Baseball</b>     | Participate in one third of the innings played                  |
| <b>Basketball</b>   | Participate in one third of the quarters played                 |
| <b>Bowling</b>      | Participate in one half of all matches played                   |
| <b>Cheerleading</b> | Participate in 85% of all activities or events.                 |
| <b>XCcountry</b>    | Be in the top 7 in points or the top 7 in one half of the meets |

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| <b>Football</b>   | Participate as a varsity starter or special teams.                  |
| <b>Golf</b>       | Participate in one half of the matches played                       |
| <b>Lacrosse</b>   | Participate in one third of the halves played                       |
| <b>Soccer</b>     | Participate in one third of the halves played                       |
| <b>Softball</b>   | Participate in one third of the innings played                      |
| <b>Swimming</b>   | Participate in one third of the varsity heats or relays.            |
| <b>Tennis</b>     | Participate in one half of the matches played                       |
| <b>Track</b>      | Participate in three-quarters of the meets or avg. 1 point per meet |
| <b>Volleyball</b> | Participate in one third of the matches played                      |
| <b>Wrestling</b>  | Participate in one third of the matches contested                   |
| <b>Academic</b>   | Participate in one third of matches contested                       |
3. The Head Coach/Advisor will provide documentation to the Athletic Director to verify that the student has met the requirements.
  4. Under special considerations, the Head Coach, with approval of the Athletic Director, may award a letter to a player who does not meet the above guidelines. Normally this would be for a student who was injured or a senior who has not previously received a varsity letter.
  5. Managers, trainers and statisticians who complete a season will receive an award consistent with their years of service.
  6. Individuals selected as All Ohio will, upon their graduation, be recognized on the All Ohio Wall of Honor. No award shall be given unless the athlete has turned in all uniforms and equipment, or paid for it.

## **AWARDS**

The following Awards System will be in effect for all athletic teams. Athletes will only receive ONE chenille letter/number during their athletic career.

|                                |                                            |
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| <b>Seventh Grade - Reserve</b> | <b>Certificate</b>                         |
| <b>Varsity letter winners</b>  |                                            |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> year</b>     | <b>Letter and graduation year numerals</b> |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> year</b>     | <b>Certificate</b>                         |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> year</b>     | <b>Certificate</b>                         |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> year</b>     | <b>Photo Plaque</b>                        |

## **State Recognition/Plaques/Banners**

Any Athlete recognized with an all-state award, will receive a picture plaque on the State Recognition wall. Sports that do not have first team designated, (wrestling, track) first team will be determined by placing and standing on the awards podium at the state finals. Plaques will be hung on the wall after the student has graduated at the convenience of the Athletic Director.

## **INSURANCE**

The Clinton-Massie Board of Education, its agents and employees assume no responsibility for injuries which occur during practice, scrimmages, trips or games. As such, every athlete will provide the Athletic Director with a waiver form, in Final Forms, signed by his/her parent indicating that they have insurance to cover their child in case of injury.

## **TEAM TRYOUTS**

A student may not try out for a team after a player has been cut, unless the student is new to the school district. Exceptions to this provision may be made if there are circumstances that would prevent an athlete from attending scheduled tryouts and the coach is contacted prior to the conclusion of the tryouts. The Athletic Director and the Coach must agree that the exception should be granted.

## **ONLINE ACTIVITY REGISTRATION**

All athletes will need to be registered in the "Final Forms" System prior to participation in Athletics. FinalForms turns school, athletic and state forms into a customized, streamlined data collection process. Once Parents and Students complete this intuitive online process, Administrators, Teachers, Coaches, and Athletic Trainers can login to the easy-to-use system to view, manage and input relevant data. Parents need to register their athlete online and electronically sign the appropriate documents. The data will be carried from year to year, requiring only a new signature each year.

The link to the site is:

<https://clintonmassie-oh.finalforms.com>

Create an account to get started. Once the parent completes the documents, the athlete receives an email prompting them to go in and finish the process. If you have any questions, contact the Athletic Director.

