

# **KANAWHA COUNTY SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION**

## **Extra-Class Activities/Cheerleader and Majorette**

**Series: J23A**

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**23.01Sponsors.** The principal of each secondary school shall appoint a cheerleader sponsor and a majorette sponsor who shall provide direct supervision to participating students. Majorette sponsors shall serve under the direction of the instrumental band director.

**23.02West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission.** All pertinent rules and regulations of the West Virginia Secondary Schools Activities Commission shall be observed in connection with cheerleading and majorette activities (insofar as such rules and regulations relate to majorettes as band members). Sponsors are required to be familiar with such requirements and this administrative regulation.

**23.03Academic Requirements.** The academic requirements set forth in Board Policy J18 shall be applicable to cheerleader and majorette participation. Furthermore, a student must have attained a 2.0 GPA for the preceding semester.

**23.04Limitation on Transfers.** The provisions of Board Policy J32 relating to the participation in athletics of students who are involved in an out of area transfer shall apply to cheerleaders and majorettes.

**23.05Physical Examination/Parental Consent.** A student shall not be permitted to participate in a competitive selection process, or engage in cheerleading or majorette practices or activities until the submission of a completed Extra-Curricular Participation/Parent Consent/ Physician's Certificate Form For Majorette/Cheerleader Activities. See Appendix A. Such forms must be completed prior to participation in a selection process and on an annual basis thereafter.

**23.06Competitive Selection.** Competitive procedures for the selection of cheerleaders may not be conducted until the date established as the first day for cheerleader practice by the West Virginia Secondary Schools Athletic Commission. All students who wish to participate in the selection process for cheerleader or majorette must meet the requirements of Sections 23.02, 23.03, 23.04 and 23.05. Students who wish to participate in the majorette selection process must be members, in good standing, of the school band.

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**23.07Selection/Cheerleader.** The selection of students for participation in the cheerleader corps shall be made by the cheerleader sponsor.

**23.08Selection Committee/Majorettes.** The selection of students for participation in the majorette corps shall be made by a committee of not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) persons appointed by the instrumental band director with the approval of the principal.

**23.09Competitive Selection Procedure and Criteria.** Each school shall establish and publish the criteria by which the selection of cheerleaders and majorettes is based. Such criteria shall be filed with the Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools and provided to the parents of each student who elects to participate in either a cheerleader or majorette selection process. The selection process shall be closed to the general public, i.e., only participating students and the selection committee shall be permitted to attend competitive selection sessions. All decisions of a selection committee shall be final.

**23.10Rules and Regulations.** Each school shall promulgate and publish rules and regulations relative to participation on cheerleader or majorette corps. Copies of such rules and regulations shall be distributed to each student who elects to participate in a selection process and to the parents of such students.

**23.11Penalties/Failure to Observe Rules and Regulations or School Rules of Conduct.** Any participating student who fails to observe rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to Section 23.10 or the school's rules of conduct shall be subject to suspension or dismissal from the cheerleader or majorette corps. Any decisions to suspend or dismiss a student from the cheerleader or majorette corps shall be made by the principal after providing a student with an opportunity to present his or her version of the alleged misconduct. Decisions of a principal to suspend or dismiss a student from either the cheerleader or majorette corps shall be final and not subject to further administrative appeal. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the imposition of additional penalties for violation of a school's rules of conduct.

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**23.12Financial Hardships.** Each school shall take measures to insure that students who are otherwise eligible to participate in either the cheerleader or majorette corps, but lack financial resources to obtain paraphernalia or meet expenses associated with such participation, are not denied the opportunity to participate.

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**APPENDIX A**

EXTRA-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION/PARENT CONSENT/  
PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE FORM FOR MAJORETTE/CHEERLEADER  
ACTIVITIES

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Son/Daughter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

The above-referenced student has parental approval to participate in  
majorette/ cheerleader tryouts and/or activities.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION REPORT**

I have examined the above-named student and represent that he/she is  
physically able to participate in majorette/cheerleader tryouts and/or  
activities.

Physician's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_