

Policy # 7421

Students

SUBJECT: ATHLETIC PLACEMENT PROCESS

The Elmira Heights Central School District approves the use of the Athletic Placement Process for all secondary school interscholastic athletic team membership in accordance with regulations as outlined by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association and the Commissioner of Education.

The Board of Education recognizes that the program is designed to allow mature and unusually gifted athletes that possess physical maturity, high levels of fitness and exceptional athletic skills to be placed beyond other youngsters in his/her chronological age bracket.

Students in Grade 8 will be permitted to go through the Athletic Placement Process as outlined in the regulations supporting this policy. The Athletic Director shall oversee all procedures for consideration which shall include, but are not limited to:

- a) Receipt of parental permission;
- b) Arrangement for appropriate medical clearance;
- c) Receipt of coaches recommendations;
- d) Administration of required fitness exams;
- e) Establishment of review committee for final determinations. Optional addition to policy based on Board of Education discussions:

(Students in Grade 7 will be permitted to go through the Athletic Placement Process only if the student shows exceptional promise and has established participation at high levels in a particular sport. In this case, the student may submit a written request directly to the Athletic Director, CC'd to the Superintendent of Schools. The Athletic Director will then convene a panel to review the request. The panel will determine if the student will be allowed to move through the process outlined above.)

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