

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FEE

FACT SHEET



WHY ATHLETIC FEES?

- In developing the FY19-20 Operating Budget, the School District Five of Lexington & Richland Counties School Board reviewed several options for addressing the reduction of state funding while trying to maintain existing programs and services. One of the decisions made by the Board was to increase athletic fees.
- Athletic fees help offset the cost of equipment, security, supplies, officials, transportation and other athletic costs.

INFORMATION

- For more information on Athletic Participation Fees contact the Athletic Department for your school.
- More information is also available online at www.lexrich5.org/D5athletics.

OVERVIEW OF FEES

FEE DETAILS

- Fee Schedule:
 - a. High school students will pay \$65 for each sport in which they participate.
 - b. Middle school students will pay \$65 for each sport in which they participate.
- The participation fee does not guarantee playing time.
- Participation fees are paid after tryouts and placement on a team(s).

PAYING FEES

- Pay online using a credit card or debit card. Payments can be made using the following link:
<https://www.studentquickpay.com/lexrich5/Default.aspx>
- Information about online payments will be sent to the parent or guardian of student-athletes via email.
- Refunds will not be given if a student-athlete withdraws from the school, quits or is injured during a contest or practice. Refunds in other circumstances beyond the school and/or district's control will be decided on a case-by-case basis.
- Student-athletes who have not paid the fee or met the waiver by the first game of the regular season can be removed from participating in a sport. Exceptions can be approved by the school's athletic director, school district and/or school principal.

WAIVER CRITERIA

- School District Five strives to make athletic participation an option for all students, regardless of financial ability.
- Families can speak to their coaches or Athletic Directors at their schools about payment options.

SCHOOL CONTACTS

Chapin High School

Ronnie Wessinger, Athletic Director
803-575-5445

Dutch Fork High School

Tom Knotts, Athletic Director
803-476-3452

Irmo High School

Ray Canady, Athletic Director
803-476-3214

*Spring Hill High School student-athletes should contact the athletic department at the school where they participate in sports.