

# **Otsego Local Schools**

## **Athletic Department**

### **Pay-To-Participate Fees**

### **Information Bulletin**

A **Pay-To-Participate** fee structure for the Otsego Local Schools Interscholastic Athletic Programs has been approved by the Board of Education. This Information Bulletin will provide you with all the details for student athletes at both Otsego High School and Otsego Junior High School.

#### **Otsego High School Pay-To-Participate Fees**

Each Otsego High School student athlete will be responsible to pay a Pay-To-Participate fee of \$60.00. If the student athlete participates in two (2) sports, the fee will be \$60.00 for the first sport and \$30.00 for the second sport. If the student athlete would participate in three (3) sports there would be no fee (\$0.00) for the third sport. The maximum pay-to-participate fees for Athletic Programs, Clubs, and Organizations combined shall not exceed \$100.00 per high school student or \$150.00 per family.

The following high school athletic programs are included in the Pay-to-Participate program: Cross Country, Football, Golf, Cheerleading, Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Wrestling, Baseball, Softball, Track.

#### **Otsego Junior High School Pay-To-Participate Fees**

Each Otsego Junior High School student athlete will be responsible to pay a Pay-To-Participate fee of \$40.00. If the student athlete participates in two (2) sports, the fee will be \$40.00 for the first sport and \$20.00 for the second sport. If the student athlete would participate in three (3) sports there would be no fee (\$0.00) for the third sport. The maximum pay-to-participate fees for Athletic Programs, Clubs, and Organizations combined shall not exceed \$60.00 per junior high student or \$150.00 per family.

The following junior high school athletic programs are included in the Pay-to-Participate program: Cross Country, Football, Cheerleading, Volleyball, Basketball, Wrestling, Track.

The Otsego Local Schools Pay-To-Participate Registration Form must be completed and accompanied by a check (make payable to Otsego Board of Education - **NO CASH**). Please send the attached Registration Form and payment to your child's school office. **PLEASE DO NOT COMBINE SCHOOL FEE(S) AND/OR ACTIVITY FEE(S). Payment must be received before the first contest.**

The attached Registration Form and payment can also be mailed to:

Otsego Local Schools  
Pay-To-Participate Fee  
P. O. Box 290  
Tontogany, OH 43565

### **Special Information Items**

- 1) The payment of the Pay-To-Participate Fee does NOT guarantee any student athlete a certain amount of competition contest time (“playing time”).
- 2) The Pay-To-Participate Fees are **non-refundable** with the following exceptions:
  - a) Sport is canceled due to insufficient numbers of student athletes.
  - b) Student does not make the team (“cut”).
  - b) If the student athlete becomes disabled prior to the first contest.
  - c) If the student athlete becomes disabled prior to completion of one-half of the season, the student athlete will receive a pro-rated reimbursement based on the percentage of the season completed.
  - d) The student athlete moves/transfers out of the district prior to the first contest.
  - e) Student athlete is academically ineligible prior to first contest.
- 3) Any student eligible for free or reduced lunch assistance automatically qualifies for a waiver of Pay to Participate fees. Parents (guardians) must make application in writing to the superintendent to apply for this waiver of fees.

**NO REFUNDS** will be issued after the first contest of each sport except as noted above. Refunds must be requested in writing to the High School Principal (for high school student athletes) and Junior High Principal (for Junior High school student athletes). If a refund is requested it will take approximately 2-3 weeks for payment to be processed from the Board of Education once the written request has been received.

# **Otsego Local Schools Clubs and Organizations**

## **Pay-To-Participate Fees Information Bulletin**

A **Pay-To-Participate** fee structure for the Otsego Local Schools Clubs, and Organizations has been approved by the Board of Education. This Information Bulletin will provide you with all the details for students involved in Clubs and Organizations at both Otsego High School and Otsego Junior High School.

### **Otsego High School Pay-To-Participate Fees**

Each Otsego High School student participating in a club and/or organization will be responsible to pay a Pay-To-Participate fee of \$20.00. If the student participates in two (2) clubs or organizations, the fee will be \$20.00 for the first club or organization and \$15.00 for the second club and/or organization. If the student would participate in three or more clubs and/or organizations there would be no fee (\$0.00) for the additional club and/or organization.

The following high school programs are included in the Pay-to-Participate program: Student Council, Science Olympiad, Book & Media Club, Art Club, Pep Band, Musical, Quiz Bowl and Drama (per production).

### **Otsego Junior High School Pay-To-Participate Fees**

Each Otsego Junior High School student participating in a club and/or organization will be responsible to pay a Pay-To-Participate fee of \$20.00. This entitles the junior high student to participate in any clubs and/or organizations offered at the junior high.

The Otsego Local Schools Pay-To-Participate Registration Form must be completed and accompanied by a check (make payable to Otsego Board of Education - **NO CASH**). Please send the attached Registration Form and payment to your child's school office. **PLEASE DO NOT COMBINE SCHOOL FEE(S) AND/OR ACTIVITY FEE(S)**.

The attached Registration Form and payment can also be mailed to:

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Pay-To-Participate Fee  
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Tontogany, OH 43565

### **Special Information Items**

- 1) The Pay-To-Participate Fees for clubs/organizations are **non-refundable**.
- 2) Any student eligible for free or reduced lunch assistance automatically qualifies for a waiver of Pay-to-Participate fees.
- 3) The maximum pay-to-participate fees for Athletic Programs, Clubs, and Organizations combined shall not exceed \$100 per high school student, \$60 per junior high student, and/or \$150 per family.