



**FERTILE-BELTRAMI HIGH SCHOOL  
STUDENT & PARENT  
EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES HANDBOOK  
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The school's activity calendar may be viewed by following the links on the school website.

## **FERTILE-BELTRAMI MISSION STATEMENT**

<p><b>EDUCATION FOR SUCCESS IN AN ENVIRONMENT OF LEARNING, RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY.</b></p>
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### **PARTICIPANT CODE**

The primary purpose of the extracurricular program in the Fertile-Beltrami School District is to promote the physical, mental, social, emotional, and moral well-being of the participants. The educational program shall be directed toward the welfare and the best interest of the student athletes.

The extracurricular program is an important and integral part of the total school program and is open to participation by all students regardless of individual differences. Through voluntary participation, the student gives time, energy, and loyalty to the program. In order to contribute to the welfare of the group, the student must willingly assume these obligations, as the role demands that the individual make sacrifices not required of others.

These educational experiences allow students to benefit in such areas of development as: interpersonal relationships, group interaction and cooperation, self-concept and character, goal setting and values, leadership, initiative, self-discipline, loyalty, sportsmanship, physical skills and growth, and the personal pride and satisfaction of participation and competition.

The basic purpose of this code is to provide assurance that our students and their parents are informed of the standards of behavior, conduct and appearance that are appropriate for the young people who represent our school and community in the various areas of extra-curricular activities.

**Helping to establish a desirable atmosphere for activities is the duty of parents, students, and school personnel. To enhance this atmosphere, the following guidelines should be utilized.**

### **Parent's Responsibility**

Good discipline originates in the home because the parent is the first teacher. This includes teaching by example, to develop good habits which portrays good sportsmanship towards all extracurricular activities, and their coaches/advisors. To help your student's progress in school. A parent should:

- A. Instill the importance to students that academics come first before extracurricular activities.
- B. Arrange for prompt and regular school attendance that comply with attendance rules and procedures. Refer to the student handbook.
- C. Arrange for a time and place for homework and see that the student makes use of their time.
- D. Teach and require the student to respect the law, for authority, for the rights of others, and for private and public property.
- E. Share with the student an interest in school activities and in their general progress.
- F. Encourage and guide wholesome friendships, interests and activities.
- G. Understand and comply with the rules of the school concerning pupil conduct and cooperate with the school in carrying out disciplinary action taken by the school.
- H. Be aware of the eligibility/participation rules of the Minnesota State High School League, Fertile-Beltrami Student Handbook, and those of the coach/advisor of your daughter's/son's activity.

### **Student's Responsibility**

A student attends school in order to develop their individual capacities to their fullest potential and become, for their own benefit and that of others, the best person possible. To do this, the student should:

- A. Make a sincere effort to do his/her best work.
- B. Accept responsibility for their own actions and respect the rights of others.
- C. Obey school rules and regulations, according to our student handbook.
- D. Help maintain school property free from damage and defacement.
- E. Be aware of the eligibility/participation rules of the Minnesota State High School League, Fertile-Beltrami Student Handbook, and the coach/advisor of your activity.

### **Coach's/Advisor's Responsibility**

Coaching involves providing a stimulating and effective program of instruction, establishing and maintaining an atmosphere conducive to learning, and the development of sound social attitudes and habits. This is a cooperative effort in which the coach/advisor, with the assistance of the administration, should:

- A. A coach/advisor must remember that he/she is representing Fertile-Beltrami Public Schools and our community at all times. Appropriate dress and conduct must be maintained.
- B. Coaches/advisors are permitted to communicate with students by group text providing the information is related to their extracurricular activity. Coaches/advisors will not communicate with individual students (that are not related to them) via social media, texting of cell phone, or phone calls.
- C. All coaches/advisors are role models for participants and when at contests are also representatives of Fertile-Beltrami Public Schools and our community. As such, they are expected to exemplify good sportsmanship by treating all students, other coaches, fans, officials, and parents with respect and dignity.
- D. Approach his/her assignment with enthusiasm and regard each pupil as a worthy individual.

- E. Plan and conduct a program of instruction, which will make each child eager to learn, and enable each pupil to achieve his/her full potential.
- F. Teach the student what is expected of him/her in terms of conduct in and about the school.
- G. Enforce the rules and policies of the school system and of the school courteously, consistently, and justly.
- H. Distinguish between pupil misconduct, which should be handled by the coach/advisor and that which requires the assistance of the administration.
- I. To make the participants in the extracurricular activity and their parents aware of the eligibility/participation rules of the Minnesota State High School League, Fertile-Beltrami student handbook, and any rules pertaining to the extracurricular activity.
- J. **Early out list:** A list of students who are participating in an extracurricular activity that would require them to get out of school early. Provide this to office staff by Friday the week before the contest, so she can send this out to staff Monday morning.

## **GENERAL POLICIES FOR ALL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Some of the regulations in this Activities Handbook exceed the regulations of the Minnesota State High School League. The MSHSL establishes minimum rules and local Board of Education has the authority to adopt rules that exceed the MSHSL rules. The rules that will apply to all students at Fertile-Beltrami Schools will be the MSHSL regulations and all locally adopted rules that exceed the rules of the MSHSL. These regulations will apply uniformly to all MSHSL activities and extra-curricular performance of any type offered at Fertile-Beltrami for grades 7-12. This includes FFA, Business Activities, Knowledge Bowl, Athletics, Trap Shooting, Drama, and Music.

### **PHYSICALS**

The MSHSL requires physicals every three years (**ex. 7<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grades**) when you participate in any extra-curricular activity involving competition and/or physical contact. It is the student/parent's responsibility to schedule and pay for the physical.

### **CONCUSSION TESTING**

Concussion testing is done in accordance with the Riverview concussion impact testing. It is administered here at the Fertile-Beltrami School, done by a licensed Riverview employee. This test is performed every two years. Testing starts in 7<sup>th</sup> grade to obtain a baseline score.

### **ATHLETIC INJURY**

Students that are injured in an athletic event or practice and require doctor care must provide the Head Coach or Activities Director with a signed statement by the doctor or trainer granting permission to resume practice or participation in the event.

### **MEDICATIONS**

All prescription medication must be administered to students by the school nurse or the district's designee (to include coaches) unless accompanied by a doctor's note.

### **CELL PHONE USE / ELECTRONICS**

The use of cell phones is forbidden in locker rooms, in accordance with MSHSL rules. The district is not responsible for damage or theft of personal electronics in locker rooms.

**Coaches/advisors are permitted to communicate with students by group text providing the information relates to their extracurricular activity. Coaches/advisors will not communicate with individual students (that are not related to them) via social media, texting of cell phone, or phone calls.**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

**Attendance/Discipline:** This policy applies to all students involved in any extracurricular activity scheduled either during or outside the school day and any school-sponsored program. School-initiated

**absences will be accepted and participation permitted. Students must be in attendance for the entire school day to practice, participate or compete in any extra-curricular school activity unless the principal clears the absence. This includes but is not limited to FFA, Business Activities, Knowledge Bowl, Athletics, Trap Shooting, Drama, and Music. (Family emergencies, pre-scheduled appointments, funerals, etc. are exceptions).**

**When the student returns to school they must provide a Dr.'s Note of the appointment. Absences due to illness, even for part of the day, will not be accepted and the student will not be allowed to participate in that evening's event or practice.**

If a student is issued any disciplinary consequences during the school day, participation in any activity, practice, or program will be subject to the discipline policy found in the parent/student handbook. Students may not participate or practice in any school activity, can't travel with the team to away games, nor be on the sidelines/bench area until all consequences have been served.

### **TRAVEL**

**All extra-curricular travel will be on school provided transportation to and from the event.** No other means of transportation is to be arranged unless approved by the coach/advisor, AD, and a consent travel release form is signed. Students are required to dress appropriately for winter travel. The coach will establish, and make known to their team, their expectations for dress at practice and travel to contests/games.

**Grades:** An athlete must maintain a D- average to be eligible to compete in contests. **ANY failing (F) or incomplete grade (I) will result in the student not being allowed to participate.**

**Grade Check Policy:** The grades will be checked every two weeks. If a student is academically ineligible at grade check time, they will remain ineligible until the next grade check period. Those students on the ineligibility list, will be checked a week after the grade check and become eligible if passing the class(es) that they were not passing at the time of the grade check. Spring final quarter grades will be carried over to the next fall. Students will sit out of competition for two weeks starting the week of competition.

### **TOBACCO FREE ENVIRONMENT**

It shall be a violation of this policy for any student, teacher, administrator, other school personnel of the school district, or person to use tobacco or tobacco-related devices in a public school. This prohibition extends to all facilities, whether owned, rented, or leased, and all vehicles that a school district owns, leases, rents, contracts for, or controls. This prohibition includes all school district property and all off-campus events sponsored by the school district.

It shall be a violation of this policy for any elementary school, middle school, or secondary school student to possess any type of tobacco or tobacco-related device in a public school. This prohibition extends to all facilities, whether owned, rented, or leased, and all vehicles that a school district owns, leases, rents, contracts for, or controls. This prohibition includes all school district property and all off-campus events sponsored by the school district.

The school district will act to enforce this policy and to discipline or take appropriate action against any student, teacher, administrator, school personnel, or person who is found to have violated this policy.

#### **Enforcement:**

- A. All individuals on school premises shall adhere to this policy.
- B. Students who violate this tobacco-free policy shall be subject to school district discipline procedures which is also a MSHSL violation.
- C. School district administrators and other school personnel who violate this tobacco-free policy shall be subject to school district discipline procedures.

- D. School district action taken for violation of this policy will be consistent with requirements of applicable collective bargaining agreements, Minnesota or federal law, and school district policies.
- E. Persons who violate this tobacco-free policy may be referred to the building administration or other school district supervisory personnel responsible for the area or program at which the violation occurred.
- F. School administrators may call the local law enforcement agency to assist with enforcement of this policy. Smoking or use of any tobacco product in a public school is a violation of the Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act and is a petty misdemeanor. A court injunction may be instituted against a repeated violator.

## INSURANCE

The Fertile-Beltrami School does not provide insurance coverage for students. Student Accident Insurance can be purchased from companies that provide; Athletic, School Time, and Extended Dental coverage insurance. Please contact the school nurse for more information.

## FEES

Activity Ticket, gate admission, and participation fees for athletic events are as follows:

Season Activity Tickets:	Adult	\$45.00
	High School Student	\$15.00
	Elementary Student	\$15.00
	Senior Citizen (65+)	\$15.00
Game Admissions:	Adults	\$6.00
	K-12	\$3.00
	College Student	\$3.00
	Senior Citizen (65+)	\$5.00
Participation Fees/student/sport:	High School	\$55.00
	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	\$30.00
	Family Maximum	\$200.00

The participation fee includes locks, mouth guards, and activity ticket admission.  
Tournament game prices are set by the section. No season passes allowed.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

All extra-curricular activities held after school, in the evening, or on Saturdays, must be supervised. **The teacher/coach in charge should be in the building before the students arrive and should be the last to leave. This includes weight-room, which needs to be locked when the coach leaves.**

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AND OTHER NON-SCHOOL TIMES

There is no practice on Wednesdays for 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. There are to be no school activities after 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

It is the policy that no student's extra-curricular activities be scheduled without special permission from the administration for the following times:

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS - after 6:30 pm-the doors will be locked.  
SUNDAY - before noon or after 6:00 pm.  
DECEMBER 24-26 of each year.

## **MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE ELIGIBILITY**

The following is a summary of the MSHSL athletic eligibility brochure. A copy of this brochure may be obtained at the high school office or from the activities director.

**Academic** – (Credit Requirement) To be eligible, a student must be making satisfactory progress toward the school's requirement for graduation.

**Age** – A student representing a member school in League activities shall be under 20 years of age at the start of the season.

**Amateur** – A student must be an amateur in that sport. A student may not receive cash or merchandise for athletic participation.

**Athletic camps and clinics** – Students may attend athletic camps and clinics, which have been approved by their high school principal. Non-school specialized athletic camps and clinics do not require approval. The student or the student's parent(s) or guardian must provide the fee, unless the Board of Directors approves other arrangements. A student may attend a camp or clinic where a member of the school's coaching staff in that sport owns, administers, directs, organizes, or serves as an instructor.

**Amateur status and awards** – Acceptable awards to students in recognition of participation in high school activities include medals, ribbons, letters, trophies, plaques and other items in which the value does not exceed \$100. Violation will render a student ineligible for participation in that activity.

**College/University teams** – Individuals who have participated with a college or university team are ineligible for participation in any activity of the League.

**Fair hearing procedure** – The League Constitution provides a Fair Hearing Procedure for the student or parent contesting a school's determination of ineligibility for a student. The student has 10 calendar days in which to appeal the school's decision.

**Enrollment/Attendance** – Students must be properly registered, attending school and classes regularly, and enrolled in the required number of credits to graduate in four years after first entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

**General eligibility** - A student who is under penalty of exclusion, expulsion or suspension, whose character or conduct violates the Student Code of Responsibility and is not in good standing, shall be ineligible for a period of time as determined by the principal.

### **Student Code of Responsibilities**

- 1) I will respect the rights and beliefs of others and will treat others with courtesy and consideration.
- 2) I will be fully responsible for my own actions and the consequences of my actions.
- 3) I will respect the property of others.
- 4) I will respect and obey the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state and country.
- 5) I will show respect to those who are responsible for enforcing the rules of my school and the laws of my community, state, and country.

**Graduate** – A student shall not be a graduate of a high school or any secondary school.

**Last day to join a team** – To be eligible for section and state competition, a student must be a member of that school's team no later than the fourth Monday from the official start of that sport season.

**Physical examination and parents permit** – Any student who intends to participate in high school athletics and cheerleading activities must have on file in the school, a record of a physical examination performed



within the previous three years. A health questionnaire shall be completed annually and could indicate the need for a physical examination prior to participation. The signature of the parent or guardian approving participation is required before the student will be permitted to practice or play.

**Junior high participation** – Participation in high school programs is limited to students in grades 7-12 inclusive. Students in grades 1-6 are not eligible for participation in any MSHSL-sponsored activity; B-squad, junior varsity or varsity level.

**Transfer rule** – A transfer student is eligible for varsity competition provided the student was in good standing on the date of withdrawal from the last school the student attended and one of the provisions below is met. A transfer student is eligible for varsity competition if:

- 1) The student is enrolling in 9<sup>th</sup> grade for the first time.
- 2) There is a change of residence and occupancy by the student's parents and the student transfers at the same time of the student's parent's move.
- 3) The student's residence is changed pursuant to a child protection order placement in a foster home, or a juvenile court disposition order.
- 4) A student of legally divorced parents who have joint physical custody of the student may move from one custodial parent to the other and be fully eligible at the time of the move.
- 5) If a student's parents move to Minnesota from a state or country outside of Minnesota and if the student moves at the same time as the parent, the student is fully eligible at the first school the student attends in Minnesota.
- 6) A student who transfers without a change of residence by the student's parents shall elect one of the following. The student shall retain full eligibility for varsity competition for one year at the school in which he/she transferred from. The student may compete at the non-varsity level at the school in which he/she open enrolled to for one year.

If none of the provisions above are met, the student is ineligible for varsity competition for a period of one year beginning with the first day of attendance in the new school. Students are immediately eligible for competition at the non-varsity level. If at the time of transfer the student was not fully eligible in the previous school, the student shall be ineligible in the new school.

**Mood-altering chemicals/Alcohol/Tobacco** – a student shall not at any time, regardless of the quantity, use or consume alcohol or tobacco or use or consume, have in possession, buy, sell, or give away any other controlled substance or drug paraphernalia. Penalties are as follows:

**First violation** – two contests or two weeks, whichever is greatest.

**Second violation** – six contests or three weeks, whichever is greater.

**Third violation** – twelve contests or four weeks, whichever is greater.

A student shall be disqualified from all interscholastic athletics for nine additional weeks beyond the student's original period of ineligibility when the student denies violation of the rules, is allowed to participate and then is subsequently found guilty of the violation.

**Sexual/Racial/Religious Harassment/Violence and Hazing** – A student shall not engage in the sexual, racial, religious harassment, violence or hazing during the school year or any portion of an activity season that occurs prior to the start of the school year or after the close of the school year.

The building principal is the person responsible for receiving reports of sexual, racial, religious harassment, violence or hazing. Any person may report hazing directly to the superintendent.

**Serving a MSHSL penalty** – A student must be a student in good standing, and able to be placed in the game, meet or contest except of the penalty being served. If a student is not in good standing because they are serving a suspension, expulsion, injury, illness, family vacation, & etc. are not able to be placed in a

game, meet or contest and are therefore not able to count those contests toward the penalty. Students are still required to attend all practices, regardless of the penalty.

### **PLAYING TIME PHILOSOPHY**

**Junior High:** At the junior high level, our goal is for those in the program to have a positive experience. This can be gained through improvement in skill level with effective practice, participation in contests, and achieving team goals. Playing time will be shared by all participants, but not on an equal time basis. All players will play in the same number of halves in a game or games in a match if there are no other unusual circumstances, such as absences from practices. Only exceptions will be for tournaments where everyone will get in the game, but not receive equal playing time. Also, in football, where our number one concern is the safety of the athletes, if an athlete's physical stature could put him/her at risk of an injury, the coach could limit his/her playing time.

**C Squad and/or Junior Varsity:** Again, our goal is for those in the program to have a positive experience. Some players will play more than others. Coaches will use game situations as a guide for participation.

**Varsity:** The primary emphasis at the varsity level is on being as successful as possible. To achieve this goal, some athletes may experience significantly more playing time than others according to team needs and respective goals. There may be athletes that won't get in the game. The coaching staff will assess team needs and how individual players can help achieve those goals. Individual participation may be influenced by a number of different factors that may include skill level, practice performance, attitude, game situations, and other team needs. The coaching staff should always keep the team concept in mind.

### **BEHAVIOR: FAN/SPECTATOR**

The following additions are consequences for disorderly or unruly adult spectator/fan behavior at student events held in association with Fertile-Beltrami School District. Unruly or disorderly student fan behavior will be handled through normal school discipline due process and referral to law enforcement. The assigned event site supervisor will make all determinations of unruly or unsportsmanlike behavior, after first issuing a warning to the individual. Should an adult spectator's behavior violate current policy regarding coaches, contest officials, or advisers during or after events, or constitute participating in unsportsmanlike behavior from the stands. Then that behavior will be deemed in violation of Fertile-Beltrami School District Policy and the violator will then be subject to the following:

#### **First Offense:**

The person in question will be suspended from attending the next three home events for that sport or activity, with the consequence to follow into the same sport's next season if need be. This consequence may be reduced to the next two events if the coach or advisor involved receives a formal, written apology from the offending fan before the third event takes place and a copy of the incident report and apology is transmitted to the Board to Education to remain on file.

#### **Second Offense:**

A person involved in a second offense over the course of the calendar year will be suspended from all extra-curricular events for the remainder of the calendar year.

There is no appeal process to the Board of Education for policy violation.

Note: Laws regarding trespass on school grounds, trespass at school activities, and disorderly conduct at public events will be referred to and enforced by local law enforcement.

## **COMMUNICATION – CHAIN OF COMMAND**

1. Player to Coach, Coach to Player.
2. Player, Parent, Coach.
3. Player, Parent, Coach, A.D.
4. Parent, Coach, A.D., Principal – The student may not be present at this meeting.
5. Cases of neglect/Abuse/Etc. can go directly to the administration.

### **Player/Parent/Coach Communication**

There are situations that may require a conference between the coach and the parent. These are to be encouraged. It is important that both parties involved have a clear understanding of the other's position. When these conferences are necessary, the following procedure should be followed to help promote a resolution to the issue of concern:

1. Call the coach at school to set up an appointment to meet.
2. If the coach cannot be reached, call the Activities Director.
3. It is inappropriate to approach a coach with a concern before or after a game or practice (24hr rule). Meetings of that nature usually do not promote resolution.

### **Parent/Coach Communication**

#### Parent/Coach Relationship

Both parenting and coaching are extremely difficult vocations. By establishing an understanding of each position, we are better able to accept the actions of the other and provide greater benefit to students. As a parent, you have a right to understand what expectations are placed on your child when involved in our programs. This begins with clear communication from the coach of your child's team.

#### Communication You Should Expect from Your Child's Coach

1. Philosophy of the coach.
2. Expectations the coach has for your child as well as all the players on the team.
3. Location and times of all practices and contests.
4. Team requirements: i.e. fees, special equipment, off-season conditioning.
5. Procedures should your child be injured during practice or a contest.
6. Discipline that might affect your child's participation.

#### Communication Coaches Expect from Parents

1. Concerns expressly directed to the coach.
2. Notification of any schedule conflicts well in advance.
3. Specific concerns in regard to a coach's philosophy and/or expectations.

As your children become involved in the programs of Fertile-Beltrami Public School, they will experience some of the most rewarding moments of their lives. It is also important to understand that there might also be times when things do not go the way you or your child wishes. During those times it is important to have an open dialogue with the coach.

#### Issues Not Appropriate to Discuss with The Coach.

1. Playing time
2. Team strategy
3. Play calling
4. Other student athletes

#### Appropriate Concerns to Discuss with Coaches

1. The treatment of your child mentally and physically
2. Ways to help your child improve
3. Concerns about your child's behavior

## **EJECTED FROM A CONTEST: STUDENT/COACH**

### **Student Ejection from a Contest**

A. Notification to School Administration: Coaches are responsible to inform their school administration regarding any ejection of a coach or student in their sport.

#### **Penalties: Student –**

- ☐ During the regular season: A student-athlete who is ejected from a game/meet, shall not participate in a game/meet for the remainder of that day. The student is also suspended from the next scheduled, rescheduled, or contracted game/meet at that level of competition and all games/meets in the interim at other levels of competition.
- ☐ The second and subsequent violations carry a four regularly scheduled game/meet ineligibility penalty.
- ☐ During the league tournament series (subsection, section and state tournament): A student athlete who is ejected from a game, meet or individual competition shall not participate in a game, meet or individual round of competition for the remainder of that day. The student is also suspended from the next scheduled round of team or individual competition in that tournament series.
- ☐ Student relationship to team during suspension: A player who is under suspension for an ejection may travel with the team and be in the locker room and on the sideline but may not be in uniform while under suspension.
- ☐ If penalties are imposed at the end of the sport season or League tournament series and no contest remains, the penalty is carried over in that particular sport until the next school year. In the case of a senior, the penalty will continue to the next sport season.

### **Coach Ejected from a Contest**

#### **Penalties: Coach-**

- ☐ During the regular season: Anytime a coach is ejected from a game/meet, the coach shall not coach the remainder of that day. The coach is also suspended from the next scheduled, rescheduled, or contracted date at that level of competition and all games/meets in the interim at other levels of competition.
- ☐ The second and subsequent violations carry a four regularly scheduled game/meet ineligibility penalty.
- ☐ During the League Tournament Series (Sub-section, Section and State Tournament): A coach who is ejected from a game/meet shall not coach the remainder of that day. The coach is also suspended from coaching the next scheduled round of team or individual competition in that tournament series. The penalty will be carried over into the next season for that sport.
- ☐ Coach Relationship to Team During Suspension: A coach who is under suspension for an ejection may not: (1) have access to the locker room prior to the game, during half-time, or following the game; (2) be seated in an area proximal to the team bench; (3) ride the team bus to and from the contest; or serve in any official capacity as a coach, statistician, supervisor, etc. until the suspension has been served.

## **ATHLETICS: ADVANCING**

**Junior High (7-8) to Varsity (C-Team/JV/Varsity)** When considering the advancing of a student athlete from Junior High (7-8) (to C-Team/JV/Varsity) level of play, the following established procedures will be adhered to.

Advancement of players from the Junior High (7-8) to Varsity (C-Team/JV/Varsity) may be considered; in doing so, the varsity coach will consult with his/her coaching staff, obtain consent from both the Activities Director and the athlete's parent's prior to advancement, and establish successful progression through the levels of Varsity (C-Team, then JV, then Varsity).

**FERTILE--BELTRAMI**  
**2025-26**  
**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES STAFF**  
**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR; Maria Bruggeman**

**Football**

Head Coach- Brian Nelson  
Assistant- Chris Zimmer  
Assistant- Neil Steffes  
Assistant- Craig Larson  
JH-Dan Hanson  
JH- Jared Brainard

**Volleyball**

Head Coach- Kerri Solie  
Assistant- Maggie Coquette  
C squad- TBD  
Assistant- Shelby Dunbar  
8<sup>th</sup> grade- Karin Sorenson  
7<sup>th</sup> grade- Lisa Orre

**Wrestling**

Head Coach-Willard Meine  
Assistant- TBD  
JH- Hunter Kresl

**Basketball- Boys**

Head Coach- Neil Steffes  
Assistant- Jeff Gullickson  
C squad- Tim Sykes  
8<sup>th</sup> grade- Todd Pederson  
7<sup>th</sup> grade- Jared Brainard

**Basketball- Girls**

Head Coach- Haley Mosher  
Assistant- TBA  
C squad- TBA  
8<sup>th</sup> grade- Craig Larson  
7<sup>th</sup> grade- Kerri Solie

**Cheerleading**

Football- Shelley Sannes  
Wrestling- Michaela Brown  
Basketball- Shelley Sannes

**Yearbook**

Heidi Mitzel

**Business Activities Day**

Wendy Clark  
Heidi Mitzel

**Baseball**

Head Coach- Taylor Sannes  
JV- TBA  
JV- Ray Cheeseman  
JH- TBD

**Softball**

Head Coach- Kerri Solie  
Assistant- Lisa Orre  
JH- Jenna Schrom

**Track**

Boys-Brian Nelson  
Girls- Chad Braun  
Assistant- Neil Steffes  
JH- TBA

**Golf**

Boys-Grant Wilson  
Girls-Craig Larson  
Assistant- Karin Sorenson

**Music**

Band-Katie Langenfeld  
Choir- Emily Giannotta

**Drama**

High School- Tammy Hemmah  
JH- Tammy Hemmah  
One Act- Tammy Hemmah

**FFA**

TBA

**Knowledge Bowl**

Sr. High – Lori Messick

Jr. High – Tony Grieve

**Fine Arts**

Lori Messick

**Trap Shooting**

Head Coach- Jasper Olson

**Cross County (Boys & Girls)**

Chad Hitchen

## Evaluations/Surveys

Students will be asked to fill out an athletic survey on the sport they play (Nov., Mar., & May).  
The Activities Director will evaluate each head coach and assistants (Nov., Mar., & June).

**Parents, Athletes, and Coaches are required to attend the Parent-Athlete-Coach Meetings for their respective sports. (PAC)**

Fall mtg. August 4th, Monday at 6:30 pm New Gym

Spring mtg. March 2, To be confirmed

For each sport before an athlete can participate in practices or games, unless prior arrangements have been made with the coach. Parents should be prepared to pay for the participation fee at that time if not already done prior to the meeting.

The following items must be completed before an athlete is allowed to participate in practices or games;

**Participation fee, MSHSL Form, F-B Form, Sports Physical Form must be turned into in the office prior to the first day of seasons practice.**

Once all fees/forms have been turned in, you will receive a Sports Pass from office staff. The head coach will not allow participation in practice or games until the Sports Pass is turned in by the student-athlete.

**I, the undersigned, have read and understand the rules of the MSHSL and Fertile-Beltrami Activities Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year. Individual coaches may have additional rules that will govern their sport.**

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Print: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

You must have the following items completed before you can practice!!!!

- \_\_\_\_\_ This form (FB handbook) completed, turned in
- \_\_\_\_\_ MSHSL Eligibility Brochure completed (FRONT AND BACK), turned in
- \_\_\_\_\_ An up to date concussion screening on file - every 2 years
- \_\_\_\_\_ An up to date sports physical on file- every 3 years
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fee paid to the office; \$30 (jr. high), \$55 (sr. high), \$200 family max
- \_\_\_\_\_ A good attitude and work ethic!!!