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Middle School

Athletics Participation Fee (Pay-to-Play)

Volleyball & Basketball (Grades 6–8)

Purpose

Mill Creek Academy is committed to providing a high-quality, competitive middle school athletic experience while maintaining responsible stewardship of school resources. To help offset the increasing costs associated with operating our volleyball and basketball programs, a **\$100 athletic participation fee** will be assessed for each student-athlete participating in volleyball and/or basketball.

This fee is not intended to generate profit, but rather to help sustain and enhance our athletic programs for current and future Mustangs.

Participation Fee

- **Amount:** \$100 per sport, per participant
- **Applicable Sports:** Middle School Volleyball and Middle School Basketball
- **Applicable Grades:** 6th–8th Grade

The participation fee is due prior to the first contest of the season.

What the Participation Fee Helps Cover

The participation fee assists Mill Creek Academy in providing a safe, quality athletic experience by helping offset expenses including:

Uniforms

- Purchase of new uniforms (as necessary)
- Uniform replacement due to normal wear
- Uniform repairs
- Cleaning and maintenance

Equipment

- Replacement and maintenance of game and practice equipment
- Volleyballs, basketballs, nets, scorebooks, first aid supplies, etc.
- Equipment storage and upkeep

Game Operations

- Certified game officials
- Security personnel for home contests
- Facility preparation and game-day operations

Program Sustainability

The participation fee helps ensure the long-term sustainability of Mill Creek Academy's athletic programs while maintaining a positive experience for our student-athletes and spectators.

Commitment to Accessibility

Mill Creek Academy believes every student should have the opportunity to participate in athletics.

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Families experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to contact the principal confidentially. No student will be denied participation solely due to financial need.

Important Notes

- Participation fees are assessed **per sport**.
 - Payment does **not** guarantee playing time or team placement.
 - Student-athletes must still meet all district and school eligibility requirements.
 - Participation fees become non-refundable once official contests have begun except under extenuating circumstances approved by school administration.
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Our Commitment

Mill Creek Academy athletics provide students with opportunities to develop leadership, teamwork, sportsmanship, perseverance, and school pride. The athletic participation fee allows us to continue offering first-class experience while ensuring our programs remain financially sustainable for years to come.

We appreciate the continued support of our families as we invest in the success of our Mustang student-athletes.