

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES FOR NON-TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Lansing School District (LSD) follows Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) guidelines to determine athletic eligibility for students enrolled in LSD non-traditional high schools that do not offer sports. These schools include:

- Capital Area K-12 Online
- Lansing Technical High School
- The Lansing Learning Hub

These students are eligible to compete in athletics with our MHSAA Member High Schools (Everett, Sexton, Eastern), at their “base/boundary” school as long as they meet all other LSD and MHSAA athletic eligibility requirements.

- **All incoming 9th graders, new students to the district in grades 9-12, and any student who has never participated in athletics for a Lansing School District high school:**
 - Eligible to compete immediately at their “base” school as indicated on their enrollment packet. If a student wishes to change their “base” school after enrolling in the Lansing School District, they are subject to all [MHSAA transfer regulations](#) and Lansing School District policies.
 - New students to the Lansing School District in grades 9-12 are required to follow [all MHSAA transfer requirements](#), even if they are enrolling at a non-traditional high school.
- **In-District Transfers to CAK12 Online, Lansing Tech, Lansing Learning Hub (9th-12th graders who transfer from one of our traditional high schools to a non-traditional high school):**
 - Only eligible to compete immediately at the Lansing School District high school they were previously enrolled at, unless they meet [one of the exceptions listed by the MHSAA](#).
- **Questions?**
 - Contact LSD Enrollment at PACE@lansingschools.net
 - *Students not enrolled in the Lansing School District should not be in contact with coaches or athletic directors of the Lansing School District.*
 - *Current students should ONLY be in contact with the coach or athletic director of the school you are currently enrolled at, or the PACE office.*

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- **What is a base school for non-traditional high school students?**
 - A “base” school can be two things for non-traditional students:
 - The school you previously attended before being admitted to a non-traditional LSD high school (this applies to in-district transfers).
 - The traditional school declared on your enrollment application (this applies to incoming 9th graders and students new to the district in grades 9-12).
- **What is a “boundary” school for non-traditional high school students?**
 - A “boundary” school is the school that serves your home address.
- **What are cooperative programs (coops) and how do they work for non-traditional high school students?**
 - Coops are teams whose participants come from multiple high schools. Each coop team must have a base high school. Non-traditional students must participate with the coops that align with their base/boundary high school for all coop teams. Some LSD coops are two schools and others include all three high schools. Visit the [Lansing School District Athletics webpage for a full list of cooperative sports and their base school.](#)
- **What about 6th-8th graders at CAK12 Online?**
 - They are eligible to compete with the school that serves their home address and any “coop” teams associated with that school.
- **What about K-5 students at CAK12 Online?**
 - The City of Lansing and other organizations have opportunities to participate in leagues all year long. [Click here for more information!](#)