

**ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS OF THE
HAWAII HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

All member schools of the Hawaii High School Athletic Association (HHSAA) shall adhere to the regulations as set by the Executive Council.

Section 1 Regulations Governing the Administration of the HHSAA

A. Responsibility of the Principal/Headmaster

It shall be the duty and responsibility of the principal/headmaster of a member school to determine that participants have met and have maintained all eligibility requirements.

B. Payments of Dues

1. All dues as authorized by the Association are payable on or before 1 October of each year. Notice of payment of dues shall be sent to each league and school on or before 1 July of each year by the Executive Director.
2. A school shall not be eligible to participate in any state tournament until annual dues have been paid.

C. Supervision Requirement

No member school or individual student-athlete may participate in any HHSAA approved activity unless under the direct supervision of a school authorized coach or designee.

Section 2 Eligibility

A. A student is eligible to participate in a given sport provided that for fall sports the student is enrolled at the school within fifteen (15) days after the first day of the school or for winter/spring sports the student is enrolled prior to the HHSAA start date¹; and one of the following: (1) the student is enrolled at his/her home public or private original school; or (2) the student did not participate in that same sport at another school within the last twelve (12) months.²

1. Students boarding on location at a public school with a boarding program shall be deemed to be attending a private school on the island.
2. Students residing in an open school district or open geographic area shall have established their home public school with their initial registration.
3. Students of public charter schools which offer a particular HHSAA sport shall be allowed to participate in the HHSAA state tournament of such sport, as long as the public charter school is in good standing with the HHSAA. Also, students of public charter schools that do not offer a particular HHSAA sport shall be allowed to participate in the HHSAA state tournament of such sport with the school in the complex of which the public charter school is located, as long as the public charter school is in good standing with the HHSAA.
4. Students of Anuenue School and the Hawaii Center for the Deaf and Blind shall be allowed to participate in HHSAA state tournaments with the school that they participate with in their league activities.

¹ This enrollment deadline does not apply to students enrolling from out-of-state or inter-island.

² This twelve (12) month provision does not apply to students attending Academy of the Pacific or ASSETS School.

5. Pac-5 teams are eligible to participate in the following HHSAA state tournaments: football, boys soccer, girls soccer, canoe paddling, girls water polo, and baseball.

B. Scholastic Requirements

All students participating in HHSAA tournaments must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA) as well as passing courses required for graduation.

C. Age Requirement

No student shall be eligible to participate in Association activities who has reached nineteen years of age prior to the first day of September of the school year in which such participation is intended.

D. Sports Season Requirement

No student shall participate in Association activities in more than four seasons in any one activity and not more than three seasons in one activity after entering the tenth grade.

E. Semester Attendance Requirement

A student entering grade nine shall have eight consecutive semesters of athletic eligibility. Enrollment and/or attendance of 15 days or more shall count as one of the eight semesters. Participation in one or more athletic contests shall count as one of the eight semesters.

F. Amateur Status Requirement

A student must be an amateur to be eligible to represent his or her high school. A student-athlete has forfeited his or her right to compete as an amateur and has thereby become ineligible for further high school competition by any of the following actions:

1. Having knowingly participated as a member of a team which included professional athletes in organized athletic competition, or against a team composed all or in part of professionals.
2. Having competed for money in any organized athletic activity.
3. Having competed under an assumed name in any organized athletic activity.
4. Having accepted an award in non-school athletic activities which he or she has converted into cash by sale or by pawning.
5. Having signed a professional athletic contract.

G. Undue Influence

The use of undue influence by any person, connected or not connected with any member school, to secure the transfer of a student to a member school for the purpose of participation in Association athletic activities shall cause the student to be ineligible for Association activities for the period of one year and may result in other penalties for the member school.