

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

Harrison Community High School is a member of the Michigan High School Athletic Association and the Jack Pine Conference.

Other league members are Beaverton, Clare, Farwell, Gladwin, Houghton Lake, Meridian and Roscommon.

All competition is governed by the rules of the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

It is an honor and privilege to represent your school and community. If you wish to participate in athletics, you must be worthy of the honor and deserving of the privilege.

The Harrison Community High School follows the Michigan High School Athletic Association athletic eligibility rules. A summary of eligibility for senior high school students is available in the high school office.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. CLUBS

Harrison Community High School offers a variety of clubs and organizations for students who are interested. These clubs give students an opportunity, not only to participate in certain areas of their particular interests, but to assist in developing leadership. Student activities that require the use of the building after school hours must have the permission of the advisor and the assistant principal's office. Some of the clubs have requirements which a student must fulfill before becoming a member; for others, membership is based entirely on the student's interest and desire. Any student interested in one or several of these clubs should contact a teacher who will direct the membership and programs of these clubs. Information is given to the student body by means of the daily announcements.

2. CLUBS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

The constitution of any club or organization desiring to become part of the school co-curricular program must be approved by the student council and school administration. Clubs will meet for the purpose of organizing early in September.

3. CLASS ORGANIZATION

Each class is organized for the purpose of planning and carrying out social functions and other activities as part of the school program. Class officers are elected each year and with the assistance of the faculty sponsors conduct the business of the class.

4. NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Students must have a GPA of 3.30.

Eligible students will be notified, and those interested may apply for election to membership (it is not "automatic").

Teachers will then rate students on leadership, character, and service. Students must be rated by at least ten teachers using a rating scale of 4.00=superior or exceptional, 3.00=good, receptive, constructive, 2.00=fair, cooperative, passive, 1.00=negative, poor, unproductive, and teacher may use decimals.

Tabulated ratings (40% for GPA, 20% each for service, leadership, character) must total 3.30.

Those students elected will be notified and an induction ceremony is held each fall.

Members should be aware that the GPA eligibility requirement must be maintained to retain membership, and that a service requirement is also a necessary part of membership in this service organization. Once forfeited, membership cannot be reissued.

NOTE: Grade Point Averages are figured using the final semester grade in each class, not on marking period grades.

5. STUDENT COUNCIL

This is a student government organization to assist in maintaining the high standards of the school, to promote better citizenship, and to enable the student body to gain practical experience in self-government.

Student Council members are elected representatives of the student body.

6. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

It is the policy of Harrison Community Schools to maintain a learning and working environment that is free from sexual harassment. No board member, staff member, or student of this district shall be subjected to any form of sexual harassment or intimidation.

Sexual Harassment means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

Any student who alleges sexual harassment by a board member or by a staff

member or by another student may complain directly to his/her building principal or designee. If the complaint is substantiated, appropriate disciplinary action will be taken which may include or result in criminal and/or civil charges being brought against the alleged harasser.

7. STUDENTS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Students have rights which should be recognized and respected under the federal and state constitutions. Every right carries with it certain responsibilities which students should be expected to assume.

Among these rights and responsibilities are:

The right to an education and the responsibility to put forth their best efforts during the educational process;

The right to expect school personnel to be qualified in providing an education and the responsibility to respect the rights of other students and all persons involved in the educational process;

The right to equal educational opportunity and freedom from discrimination and the responsibility not to discriminate against others;

The right to attend free public schools and the responsibility to attend school regularly and to observe rules essential for permitting others to learn at school;

The right to due process of law with respect to suspension, expulsion, and decisions affecting the student's rights; and

The right of privacy, which includes the privacy of school records.

Students should be made aware not only of their rights, but also the legal authority of the board to make rules, and delegate authority to its staff to make rules, regarding the orderly operation of its schools and to interpret them in given situations. Students must obey such interpretations subject to appeal.