

Bullitt Central High School Athletics

"Building champions while pursuing championships"

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Bullitt Central High School Athletics Booster Purchasing Guidelines

To ensure that Bullitt Central High School booster club purchases do not adversely affect Title IX compliance, all booster clubs must use a purchase order for expenditures which fall into the categories of Title IX spending: equipment, travel, facilities, publicity, and awards.

Booster club officers should complete the Booster Account Purchase Request form and include the quantity, item description, and cost. The form should be signed by the booster club president or treasurer, head coach, and the athletic director before a purchase is made. Expenses such as concessions or other items not in the Title IX categories do not need a purchase order.

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Bullitt Central High School Booster Account Purchase Request

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BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROPOSAL FOR THE ADDITION OF NATABOC CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINERS (ATC) AT THE SECONDARY LEVEL

Statement of the Problem

The State of Kentucky promotes physical activity and fitness, and youth sports are an essential element in that effort. Physical activity decreases the risk for heart disease, diabetes, colon cancer, high blood pressure and premature death. The habits formed in youth will last a lifetime.

Physical activity is not without risk. Brain injury, sudden cardiac arrest, exertional heat stroke, cervical spine fractures, asthma attacks and other injuries and illnesses are serious and potentially life threatening. Injuries to students are possible in every extracurricular activity, from football and cheerleading to cross country and marching band. The inherent risk in sports may result in catastrophic or fatal injuries and illnesses. The majority of these occur in several major areas:

- Cardiac Events-sudden cardiac arrest
- Traumatic Brain Injuries concussion
- Environmental/Exertional Conditions- heat stroke
- Cervical Spine Injuries

Fortunately, risks and adverse outcomes can be minimized or eliminated when secondary school athletes have a health care professional available on site. The American Medical Association, through an extensive Report on Scientific Affairs, (Lyznicki & Champion, 1999) stated "The Board of Education and the Department of Health of the individual states should encourage that an adequate Athletic Medicine Unit be established in every school that mounts a sports program." A member of this unit should be "an athletic health coordinator (preferably a NATABOC-certified athletic trainer {ATC})."

The Bullitt County Public School District is a strong proponent of students and student health, and recognizes that the health and welfare of student-athletes is an essential component of the athletic program. To date, all three district high schools do not receive funding to ensure that the injuries and illnesses that student-athletes sustain while representing the district are treated in a timely and competent manner. In the present situation, coaches and volunteers are often called upon to provide the majority of care, much of which they are not adequately trained or prepared to offer. To further compound the problem, the remainder of the team is often left unsupervised while the coach cares for the injured athlete.

Along with the American Medical Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Bullitt County Public School Athletic Directors strongly recommend the addition of a board-funded athletic trainer for each high school in an effort to provide our student athletes with skilled, comprehensive athletic health care.

Proposed Solution

Establishing a position for a board-funded Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC) at each high school will fill the void in athletic health care for the district's student athletes. The ATC will provide injury prevention, immediate emergency care, injury evaluation, and recordkeeping duties for the athletic program. The ATC is qualified to provide athlete rehabilitation, thus reducing student absenteeism. In addition, the ATC will reduce the liability of the school district by providing immediate emergency response, conducting preventative screenings, adequately supervising practices and sporting events, maintaining detailed documentation of student records, injuries, treatments, and physician orders, providing necessary coach and athlete training, monitoring environmental dangers, and ensuring reasonably safe facilities and equipment.

The qualifications for certified athletic trainers within the state include, at minimum, a Bachelor of Science degree from an accredited college or university, and successful completion of the National Athletic Trainers' Association's Board of Certification Exam.

Estimated Costs

Full time salary \$ 25,000-40,000

Stipend Range \$_10,000-15,000_

*Medical supplies, equipment and training facilities are funded by the school.