



CPS Transfer/Non-Enrolled Guide



When are you considered a transfer?

- 1) *When a student's enrollment changes from one school to another*
OR
 2) *The student plays in a practice, scrimmage, or contest with a school-sponsored team of which the student has not been enrolled.*

Sport	Maximum # of Contests as per the OHSAA Board	Transfer Student BECOMES INELIGIBLE AT VARSITY CONTEST #:
Baseball	27 Games	Game 15
Basketball (Boys & Girls)	22 Games	Game 12
Bowling (Boys & Girls)	24 Matches	Match 13
Cross Country (Boys & Girls)	16 Games	Meet 9
Field Hockey	16 Games	Game 9
Football	10 Games	Game 6
Golf (Boys & Girls)	20 Matches	Match 11
Gymnastics	14 Meets	Meet 8
Ice Hockey	35 Games	Game 19
Lacrosse (Boys & Girls)	18 Games	Game 10
Soccer (Boys & Girls)	17 Games	Game 10
Softball	27 Games	Game 15
Swimming & Diving (Boys & Girls)	16 Meets	Meet 9
Tennis (Boys & Girls)	22 Matches	Match 12
Track & Field (Boys & Girls)	16 Meets	Meet 9
Volleyball	22 Matches	Match 12
Wrestling	20 Points/16 points (for those schools that do not field teams- 6 or fewer weight classes)	Point 11/9

TRANSFER RULE

If a student transfers anytime after their 5th day of ninth grade OR has played in any contest, the student is **only eligible for contests** the first 50% of the maximum allowable regular season contests (*found in the chart to the left, column 2*) in all sports that the student has participated within the 12 months immediately preceding the transfer. After the first 50% of the maximum allowable regular season contests have been completed, the student shall become **ineligible** for the remainder of the season. The student shall also remain ineligible to participate in OHSAA tournaments.

If the student has not participated in a contest in the preceding 12 months of his/her enrollment OR does not participate in any contest up until 12 months after his/her new enrollment, they are eligible to play immediately.

Are you a HOMESCHOOLED, VIRTUAL or a CHARTER student? If a student is home schooled, attends CPS Virtual Academy or a charter school without athletics AND the parents' residence is in the CPS district - the student may have the opportunity to participate at the closest CPS school to their HOME ADDRESS.

*Complete the application for non-traditional extracurricular activities [HERE](#). CPS Athletics JH/HS Athletics Manager, Mark Hermann (hermannm@cps-k12.org) will follow up accordingly with next steps.

Have your parents lived INSIDE the CPS District for at least 1 year and are you transferring from another school outside the CPS District (private OR public)? You are likely eligible for Exception 9. You are assigned to go to the school within your attendance zone, *unless* it has an entrance exam or is labeled as poor performing by the State Department of Education. If so, you will be allowed to go to the next closest school and are able to play immediately. If you do *not go to this assigned school*, you must follow the transfer rule above and the chart to the left.

See https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Eligibility/4-7-2Guidance_Exc9.pdf for more information on Exception 9.

Do you live OUTSIDE of the CPS district and transferring from another school (private or public)? You must follow the transfer rule above or look at other uncommon exceptions found at <https://www.ohsaa.org/Eligibility/Transfer>

Are you moving your RESIDENCE into the CPS district? If a student is transferring from an outside district into CPS, please schedule a meeting with your new school Athletic Administrator and refer to the Affidavit for Bona Fide Change of Legal Residence.

https://ohsaaweb.blob.core.windows.net/files/Eligibility/4-7-2Guidance_Exc1.pdf

If you do not meet these requirements, you must follow chart on the left.

Who to contact...

Contact the school's Athletic Coordinator to discuss further transfer eligibility, click [HERE](#) for the CPS Athletic Coordinators Contact List.

For a further list of exceptions & eligibility information go to <https://www.ohsaa.org/eligibility>