

Cooperative Intergovernmental Agreement Between:

1. Introduction

- a. This agreement is made by and between the Board of Education of the Byron Community Unit District #226, (hereafter referred to as District 226), and the Board of Education of the Meridian Community Unit School District #223, the Board of Education of Oregon Community School District #220, the Board of Education of the Amboy District #272, the Board of Education of the Polo Community School District #222, the Board of Education of the Pecatonica Community School District #321, the Board of Education of the Winnebago Community School District #323, the Board of Education of the Dixon Public Schools #170, and the Board of Education of the Hiawatha CUSD #426 (hereafter referred to in the aggregate as "School Districts").
- b. District 226 will serve as the host school and will assume responsibility for operating and administering the Cooperative Swim Program.
- c. This agreement will be for the 2026-27, 2027-28 school year. Any or all parts of this agreement will be renewable by mutual agreement between District 226 and School Districts.
- d. The swim team will be referred to as the Byron High School Tigers swim team.

2. Transportation

- a. Each school district will be responsible for determining transportation policies and procedures for their respective athletes, in terms of getting athletes to practices and home events, who are participating in the Cooperative Swim Team Program.
- b. Transportation to contests will be the responsibility of District 226, the host school. Contest transportation will originate at the host school, proceed directly to the contest, and return to the host school.
- c. Athletes from School Districts will be expected to arrange their own transportation to and from the host school for all practices and contests.
- d. All participants will be expected to ride the District 226 transportation to and from all contests.

3. Supervision

- a. Supervision and organization for the athletic contests will be the responsibility of District 226.
- b. District 226 shall be responsible for the supervision of the student athletes while they are involved in the activity.

4. Eligibility

- a. All athletes will compete under the eligibility guidelines of District 226, in compliance with IHSA guidelines.
- b. All athletes will be subject to District 226's athletic disciplinary code and will be subject to all of District 226's policies and regulations. In addition, students of School Districts will also be subject to policies and regulations of School Districts.

5. Awards

- a. The criteria for determining who receives awards will be determined by District 226's coaching staff.

6. Insurance

- a. All participants will be required to have insurance statements given to District 226, indicating that insurance available to the student through the school or insurance through their parent/guardian either covers them. No athlete may practice or participate until this documentation is received by District 226.

7. Physicals

- a. Copies of mandatory physicals will be on file in the respective athletic director's office or school office. Copies will be furnished to each school upon request. No athlete may practice or participate until the physical is turned in to the respective office.

8. Liability

- a. Liability for all students utilizing transportation shall be borne by whichever district is responsible for the transportation for that event.
- b. Premises liability shall be borne by District 226 for each particular activity upon the student's arrival at the host school site and shall continue until departure from the host school site.

9. Contest Sites

- a. Contest sites will be the responsibility of District 226.

10. Financial Agreement

- a. District 226 will pay all coaching salaries, officials' salaries, stipends to workers, lighting and maintenance, and transportation to away contests.
- b. District 226 will bill School Districts \$200 per participant. The fee will include the activity fee, costs for uniforms and swim caps.

11. Coaches

- a. District 226 will be responsible for hiring the head coach and assistant coaches. Volunteer coaches can be appointed at the discretion of District 226.

12. Review of Agreement

- a. This agreement shall be in effect for a two-year period commencing July 1, 2026 and extend through June 30, 2028. This agreement will be reviewed during the 2027-28 school year.

Byron Community Unit School District #226

Superintendent _____ Date _____

BOE President _____ Date _____

Principal _____ Date _____

Dixon Public Schools District #170

Superintendent Margo D. Empen Date 5-13-2026

BOE President _____ Date _____

Principal _____ Date _____