



Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Browning Public Schools
Activities Department
&
Domestic Violence Department

Effective Date: August 6, 2026 (After BPS Board Approval)

Purpose

This memorandum of understanding establishes a collaborative partnership between the Browning Public Schools Activities Department and the Browning Domestic Violence Department to promote awareness, education, prevention, and community support in the effort to end domestic violence. Through this partnership, both organizations recognize the important role athletics plays in fostering respect, healthy relationships, accountability, and safe communities.

Shared Mission

Both parties agree to work together to promote a culture that rejects violence in all forms and encourages healthy, respectful relationships among students, athletes, families, and the community. This partnership demonstrates a shared commitment to educating youth, supporting survivors, and creating positive community change.

Responsibilities of the Browning Public Schools Activities Department

The Activities Department agrees to:

1. Promote domestic violence awareness through athletic events, public announcements, and appropriate promotional materials.

2. Display approved Domestic Violence Program banners, posters, brochures, or informational resources at athletic facilities when available.
3. Recognize Domestic Violence Awareness Month through designated athletic events or awareness campaigns when feasible.
4. Encourage coaches and student-athletes to serve as positive role models by promoting respect, sportsmanship, and healthy relationships.
5. Support educational opportunities for student-athletes, coaches, and families regarding healthy relationships, consent, bystander intervention, and violence prevention when coordinated with the Domestic Violence Program.
6. Collaborate on community events that promote safety, prevention, and support for individuals and families affected by domestic violence.
7. Ensure that all partnership activities remain educational, nonpartisan, and consistent with Browning Public Schools policies and applicable state and federal laws.

Responsibilities of the Browning Domestic Violence Program

The Domestic Violence Program agrees to:

1. Provide educational materials and resources related to domestic violence prevention and healthy relationships.
2. Offer presentations, workshops, or educational opportunities for student-athletes, coaches, parents, and staff when requested and mutually agreed upon.
3. Provide informational materials for distribution during approved athletic events.
4. Participate in collaborative awareness events and community outreach activities when available.
5. Serve as a resource for referrals and support services for individuals seeking assistance.
6. Coordinate with the Athletic Department to ensure all educational materials are age-appropriate and culturally respectful.

Joint Responsibilities

Both parties agree to:

- Foster a respectful and collaborative partnership.
- Promote positive messaging that encourages safety, respect, accountability, and healthy relationships.
- Meet periodically to discuss partnership activities and evaluate opportunities for continued collaboration.
- Respect the confidentiality of individuals seeking services, consistent with applicable laws and organizational policies.
- Maintain open communication regarding planned events and public messaging.

Financial Agreement

This MOU does not obligate either party to provide funding to the other. Any financial commitments or jointly funded activities shall be discussed & approved with the Superintendent & Activities Director.

Non-Binding Agreement

This Memorandum of Understanding reflects the good-faith intentions of both organizations to collaborate in support of domestic violence prevention and community education. It does not create a legally binding contractual relationship or financial obligation unless otherwise specified in a separate written agreement.

Modification and Termination

This MOU may be amended at any time through written agreement by both parties. Either party may terminate this MOU with thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party.

Browning Public Schools Athletic Department