CLUB ACTIVITIES/ATHLETICS @ PETERSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

When considering the sponsorship or addition of a new activity and/or athletics program, the district will review multiple factors, in no specific order, including:

- Compliance with Title IX and Office of Civil Rights regulations
- Liability and safety considerations
- Alignment with the rules and regulations of PSD, Region 5 of ASAA, and ASAA
- Appropriateness for the intended student group
- Demonstrated need and student interest in the activity
- Availability of adequate supervision
- Availability of adequate facilities
- Long-term sustainability
- Availability of transportation
- Funding for both transportation and facilities

Historically, the Petersburg School District (PSD) has required new activities to operate as a club team representing the district for a minimum of five (5) to nine (9) years before possibly becoming a funded activity through the district. In some cases, clubs have operated for up to ten (10) years with no district funding before adoption.

Regardless of funding or adoption status, any team seeking recognition as a PSD club team must agree to the following:

- Abide by all Petersburg School District policies and procedures regarding extracurricular activities.
- Abide by the constitution, bylaws, policies, and procedures of Region 5 of the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA).
- Abide by the constitution, bylaws, policies, and procedures of the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA).
- Abide by all applicable National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) rules and regulations.
- Follow any additional policies or procedures deemed necessary to represent the Petersburg School District and Petersburg High School.

Additional Information

Club teams are not insured by the Petersburg School District. Coaches are considered volunteers, serve without pay, and must comply with all policies, procedures, constitutions, and bylaws of:

- Petersburg School District (PSD)
- Petersburg High School (PHS)
- Region 5 of the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA)
- Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA)
- National Federation of High School Sports (NFHS)
- Supplemental insurance information will be made available to participants and their families through a private insurance carrier that is no cost to the district.

- Any activity or athletic group seeking recognition as a club team must meet with the Activities & Athletics Director, Principal, and Superintendent before a final decision regarding representation and/or approval.
- There is no guarantee that a group or team will receive district funding, even after fulfilling the period outlined in this document.

Other Notable Items: ASAA's new Policy (May 2025)

- 1. Must have 6 or more schools that are currently competing in the sport/activity within the Region.
- 2. At least 8 schools must sign an emerging status application and commit to continuing their program in an emerging status.
- 3. Gain approval from the Board of Directors to be deemed emerging.
- 4. Remain in emerging status for a minimum of 2 years and a maximum of 5 years.
- 5. Must reach 12 teams of registered and fully participating teams for two years before becoming eligible for approval as a fully sanctioned interscholastic.
- 6. If it does not reach 12 teams in 5 years, it is sent back to the Board for review to either provide additional time or remove it from Emerging Status.