# Memo to the Okemos Public Schools Board of Education: Proposed Changes to the Chippewa Middle School Student and Parent/Guardian Handbook 2023-2024

Deletions to language in the handbook are indicated using strikethrough. Updates and additions indicated in yellow highlight.

### #1. ATHLETICS: Eligibility: Pg. 37

### ELIGIBILITY

Every student is eligible to compete in interscholastic athletics providing the following requirements are fulfilled:

- Must have a parent/guardian's signature of approval on MHSAA physical card.
- Must pass a current physical examination and have a record of this examination on file in the school office prior to tryouts. A physical examination given on or after April 15 is good for the following school year (MHSAA guidelines).
- Must be passing all classes during the season.
- Students will not be allowed to participate in athletic activities if unexcused from any portion of the school day. A student must be present for, at least, half of the school day in order to participate in any CMS sponsored and/or affiliated athletics.
- Individual coaches reserve the right to enforce further consequences for practices and games.

Must be passing 5 out of 7 classes during the season.

## **#2. ATHLETIC REGISTRATION FEE: Pg. 38**

Each student will be required to pay an annual one-time registration fee (Middle School 160.00 and family cap of \$410).

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#### #3: HEAD LICE: Pg. 25

Head lice are a common condition that can be transmitted where any group assembles regularly, especially among students whose hats and jackets hang close together. Itching or scratching may be a sign of lice, but sometimes there are no signs until you look closely. Please check your student's head frequently. Look around the ears and back of the neck. Be sure you have good light; stand near a window or use a lamp. Nits (lice eggs) look like little white spots hanging on a shaft of the hair. They are difficult to move or pull off the hair. Dandruff or scalp flakes move very easily. Nits do not. If there are lice, notify the attendance office and start treatment immediately. A student may not return to class until your student has been determined to be nit and lice free.