In an effort to streamline all of our athletics paperwork, all paperwork to become eligible to compete in athletics at BNS/BHS for 2023-2024, must be completed online. The majority of the paperwork is required by the FHSAA. If your student has an FHSAA physical already on file (EL2 form) in the athletics office, then when it comes time to download the physical, just upload a one page document that reads (Physical Form On File) that lets us know the form is on file. The only way a student would have a physical on file in our office and not already uploaded into Athletic Clearance is if there was an extenuating circumstance and the file could not be uploaded and remember: (physical has to be less than one year old). If your physical will expire soon, then you are encouraged to get a new physical and upload into the system. All other paperwork must be resubmitted for the 2023-2024 school year online. Without completing all of these requirements, your child will not be eligible to compete in our sports programming to start the school year. Thank you for your understanding, the instructions are below.

2. Click on “Create an Account” and follow the steps. Or sign in if you have previously created an account. Watch the tutorial video if help is needed.
3. Register. PARENTS register with valid email username and password.
4. Login using your email address that you registered with.
5. Select “Start Clearance Here” to start the process.
6. Choose the school year in which the student plans to participate. Example, volleyball in August 2023 would be the 2023-2024 school year.
7. Choose the school at which the student attends and will compete for.
8. Choose the sport. You can also “Add New Sport” if the student is a multi-sport athlete. Electronic signatures will be applied to the additional sports/activities. Make sure and check all sports you think your child may participate in, even if not sure. This will save you a lot of work in the future.
9. Complete all required fields for Student Information, Educational History, Medical History and Signature Forms. All NFHSLearn certificates and EL2 sports physical must also be uploaded. (If you have gone through the AthleticClearance.com process before, you will select the student and Parent/Guardian from the dropdown menu on those pages.
10. Once you reach the Confirmation Message, you have completed the process.
11. All of this data will be electronically filed with the athletics department for review. When the student has been cleared for participation, an email notification will be sent.

Frequently Asked Questions
What is my username? Your username is the email address that you registered with.

Multiple Sports - During the first step of the process you have the ability to “Add New Sport”. If you use this option, you fill out the clearance one time and it is applied to the sport selected.
Why have I not been cleared? The athletic department will review the information that has been submitted and Clear, Clear for Practice, or Deny the student for participation. You will receive an email when the student athlete’s status has been updated.

**Course Ordering NFHS Learn**

Students must complete 3 online courses to be eligible. These courses are Concussion for Students, Heat Illness Prevention, and Sudden Cardiac Arrest.

- Step 1: Go to www.nfhslearn.com
- Step 2: “Sign In” to your account using the e-mail address and password you provided at time of registering for an nfhslearn account. If you do not have an account, “Register” for an account.
- Step 3: Click “Courses” at the top of the page.
- Step 4: Scroll down to the specific course from the list of courses.
- Step 5: Click “View Course”.
- Step 6: Click “Order Course.”
- Step 7: Select “Myself” if the course will be completed by you.
- Step 8: Click “Continue” and follow the on-screen prompts to finish the checkout process. (Note: There is no fee for these courses)

**Beginning a Course**

- Step 1: Go to www.nfhslearn.com
- Step 2: “Sign In” to your account using the e-mail address and password you provided at time of registering for an nfhslearn account.
- Step 3: From your “Dashboard,” click “My Courses”
- Step 4: Click “Begin Course” on the course you wish to take.

For help viewing the course, please contact the Help Desk at NFHS. There is a tab on the upper right hand corner of www.nfhslearn.com. If you should experience any issues while taking the course, please contact the NFHS Help Desk at (317) 565-2023.
Eligibility

- All high school athletes must have a cumulative 2.0 GPA from the previous semester to be eligible for athletic participation during the current/following school semester. The exception is for incoming 9th graders who have a one semester grace period.
- All middle school athletes must have a 2.0 GPA from the previous semester to be eligible to compete. The middle school GPA is not cumulative. The exception is incoming 6th graders have a one semester grace period.
- A student who begins the season as ineligible will remain ineligible throughout the entire semester they are ineligible.
- Students who fall below a 2.0 GPA per the semester grade check will be ineligible for all athletic events that transpire in the following semester.
- Home school and virtual school students may participate in athletics at BNS/BHS after completing the necessary paperwork.

Attendance

A student-athlete must be in school for 75% of the school day (3 blocks Tuesday-Friday or 6 periods on Monday). Medical appointments and other extenuating circumstances will be reviewed by the Athletic Director and Principal. Student-athletes are expected to be at all practices and games unless absent from school. Student-athletes may be dismissed from a team for unexcused absences from practice or a game.

Home Education School Requirements

9.2.2 Attendance Exceptions

9.2.2.1 Home Education Student. A legally registered home education student may participate at one of the following: (§ 1006.15(3)(c), F.S.) (a) The student’s home zoned public school; or (b) The public school the student could choose to attend according to the controlled open enrollment provisions pursuant to § 1002.31, F.S.; or (c) A charter/lab or private school that will accept the student for participation; or (d) A home education cooperative to which the student belongs.

9.2.2.1.1 Home Education Student Requirements. To participate in interscholastic athletics, a home education student must: (§ 1006.15(3)(c)1-7, F.S.) (a) register as a home education student with the district school superintendent of the county in which he/she resides; and (b) register with the school of his/her intent to participate in interscholastic athletics as a representative of the school before participation; and (c) meet the same standards of acceptance, behavior and performance as the school requires of other participating students; and (d) certify to the school at the end of each semester that he/she has the minimum cumulative grade point average required for participation; and (e) meet all other FHSAA eligibility requirements; and (f) must be registered with the FHSAA Office each year using a form provided by the Association.