New Athletics Fees Take Effective Immediately for Non-Traditional Athletes

Beginning July 1, 2026, Babcock Schools will implement a participation fee for non-traditional students who choose to participate in BNS/BHS school athletic programs. This change applies to students who are not enrolled as traditional students at Babcock Schools but wish to participate in our school-based athletic programs.

Under the new state law, non-enrolled students have the opportunity to participate in district sports that are not offered by their school. This change is in accordance with Florida law (SB 538) and policy set by the Babcock Schools Governing Board. The fee for BNS/BHS is $400 per student per sport each school year.

Revenue from the fees will go directly back to the Babcock Schools Athletic Department to help offset athletics costs for transportation, uniforms and equipment, field and court maintenance, game management, officiating, and more. Please note the participation fee does not guarantee playing time, only the opportunity to be a part of the team.

Payment Options:

- ➔ **Check or money order**: Payable to Babcock Schools with Memo: Athletic Fees
  Mail to: Babcock Neighborhood Schools
  Attn: Athletic Department
  43301 Cypress Pkwy
  Punta Gorda, FL 33982
- ➔ **Credit Card (online payment)**:
  GoFan: Athletic/Activity Fee: https://gofan.co/event/6792077?schoolId=FL86605

- ➔ **Step Up Scholarship**: Please notify the Athletic Director if you wish to submit payment through your EMA account.