Northwood High School Dual Sport Policy 2024-2025 School Year

Many students have multiple talents and interests they wish to develop or pursue through participation in District-sponsored activities and groups. The District's policy is to encourage such participation. The following guidelines have been established for approval and also dealing with potential schedule conflicts a student could experience when participating in more than one (1) activity:

1. We have categorized our sports as Primary and Secondary. Every sport can be considered a Primary sport. Only four sports can be a Secondary sport. A student may only participate in two activities as long as at least <u>one</u> of them is categorized as a Secondary sport. You cannot participate in more than one Primary activity in one season. Due to unique schedules and demands, not all sports offer a two-sport option.

| Primary Sports | | Secondary Sports |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Football | Cross Country | Cross Country |
| Soccer | Golf | Golf |
| Volleyball | Cheerleading | Cheerleading |
| Basketball | Track & Field | Kicking (Football) |
| Wrestling | Baseball/Softball | |

- A student must designate a primary sport/activity and a secondary sport/activity. On the
 day that both activities/sports have a performance/contest, the student must participate
 in their primary activity/sport that day. The secondary activity/sport can only be played
 with advance permission from both advisors/coaches. (This includes any tournaments or
 competitions.)
- 3. If a student chooses to participate in Kicking for Football. He/She may only be a part of special teams as the kicker and/or punter.
- 4. A pre-season meeting with both coaches will take place to schedule practice times and game schedules. A plan will be put into place and will need to be approved by the athletic director.
- 5. A student's playing time/role is not guaranteed and is at the discretion of the coach/advisor.
- 6. Approval for dual sports participation will be denied if a student is on academic probation or if a student received one "F" in the previous academic quarter.
- 7. Application must be approved before the official start date of practice for both sports.

REQUEST FOR DUAL-SPORT PARTICIPATION

It is the intention of the athlete named below to participate in two sports during the same season. In order for this to occur, the following stipulations must be met in accordance with Northwood High School policy.

- 1. The process must be initiated through a meeting scheduled with the Athletic Director.
- 2. The athlete must declare which sport is primary and which is secondary for participation purposes.
- 3. Approval may be denied because of academic concerns at any time during the athletic season. The athlete then will participate in the primary sport only.
- 4. Practice and Game/Meet requirements must be established prior to the athletic season. Contests take precedence over practice, and the primary sport contests take precedence over secondary sport contests. 1) Any conflicts should be worked out between primary coach and secondary coach. Refer to pre-season agreement. 2) The athletic director will have the final decision if a solution cannot be made.

| Name of Student-Athlete: | Date: | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Primary Sport: | Secondary Sport: | |
| Student-Athlete Signature/Date | Parent/Guardian Signature/Date | |
| Athletic Director Signature/Date | Principal Signature/Date | |
| Drivers and initials | | |
| Primary coach initials | Secondary coach initials | |