

East Liverpool High School Policy for Participation in Multiple Sports

East Liverpool City Schools recognizes that student should have the opportunity to develop their skills in a broad range of activities during their high school years. However, participation in more than one sport in a single season can present many conflicts and be a challenge. Athletes should carefully consider the implications and ramifications in a decision to take on this challenge. The following guidelines are in effect for athletes who participate in two sports.

1. As is the case with all participants, head coaches have the ultimate decision with regard to playing time for the sports that they coach.
2. The athlete must maintain eligibility and have no failing grades on the interim report.
3. The athlete must declare one sport as his/her primary sport. The primary sport contest and practice schedule will take precedence over the secondary sport contest and practice schedule. Athletes must attend more than one practice before participating in a secondary sport.
4. If traveling from one sport to the other, the athlete must ride the team bus or with a parent/guardian.
5. Resolution of scheduling conflicts:
 - When there is a contest in both sports, the athlete will participate in the primary contest.
 - Where there is a contest in the primary sport and practice in the secondary sport, the athlete will compete in the primary sport.
 - When there is practice in both sports, the athlete will attend practice for the primary sport unless released by the primary coach.
 - When practice in the primary sport conflicts with a contest in the secondary sport, the athlete will compete in the contest of the secondary sport.
 - Scheduling conflicts can also be resolved by mutual agreement of both coaches.
6. If the athlete quits or is removed from the primary sport, he/she will not be permitted to participate in the secondary sport.

Primary Sport: _____

Athlete _____ Parent _____

Secondary Sport: _____

Athlete _____ Parent _____