



Attendance, Vacation and Snow Days, Cuts

Attendance

A student-athlete must be in attendance during the last four class periods of that particular school day in order to participate in a practice or a contest that day, unless they have an excused absence recognized by the school. Student-athletes with an unexcused absence on a Friday may not participate in a school sponsored athletic event occurring that weekend without permission from the BCHS administration.

Exceptions would be parent-verified doctor appointments or family emergencies and school-sponsored events such as retreats or field trips that are recognized by the BC Director of Discipline who oversees attendance.

Vacation and 'snow day' practices

All team members are expected to attend all practices. Practice schedules during school vacations are set by the coach, and only the coach can excuse an athlete from practice. Practices will not be held on days when the school is closed due to inclement weather. Games scheduled on days when the school is closed because of inclement weather will be cancelled. The athletic directors of the two schools will do their best to reschedule the game for a later date. *Exception: Tournament game cancellations are at the discretion of the IHSAA and/or the host school.

Cuts

If the number of student-athletes wishing to participate in a particular sport dictates the need to make "cuts", it will be left up to the head coach as to how this process will take place. The following components, however, will be included in the process:

- a. It will be made clear to the athletes beforehand what the process will be.
- b. It will be made clear to the athletes that they may make an appointment with the coach afterwards to discuss the decision.

- c. The coach will be able to give feedback, oral or written, to the athlete as to areas of weakness, i.e. what the athlete could work on improving should he or she wish to try out again in the future.

Note: The nature of making cuts is subjective. It may be that decisions will be made based not only on athletic ability, but also on strategic factors such as the number of players to keep for a given position or intangible factors such as work ethic, intensity, etc.