Home School Athletic Participation Procedures for non-KHSAA Sports and MS/Elementary Students

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TFCA is dedicated to providing an athletic environment that fosters a Christian community of athletes focused on competing with integrity, excellence, and Royal Pride.

An essential attribute of promoting the growth of the TFCA community requires that Home School athletes be allowed to fill roster positions **only** if TFCA is not able to fill the roster first with enrolled students. The Athletic Director and Head Coach will determine if tryouts of Home School athletes will be hosted to fill roster.

The following roster minimums will be used as guidelines to determine if TFCA can compete without opening the roster to Home School athletes (*TFCA Athletic Director and Principal maintain the right to adjust these guidelines as the situation requires*):

Basketball: Varsity, twelve (12) players grade 8-12. Middle School, twelve (12) players grade 6-8. **Volleyball:** Varsity, twelve (12) players grade 8-12. Middle School, twelve (12) players grade 6-8. **Baseball:** Varsity, fifteen (15) players grade 8-12. Middle School, fifteen (15) players grade 6-8. **Softball:** Varsity, fifteen (15) players grade 8-12. Middle School, fifteen (15) players grade 6-8. **Soccer:** Varsity, fifteen (15) players grade 7-12. Middle School, fifteen (15) players grade 6-8. **Football:** Varsity, twenty (20) players grade 9-12. Middle School, twenty (20) players grade 6-8.

The following sports will not have TFCA roster minimums as athletes participate individually: Cross Country, Track & Field, Archery, Golf, Tennis, Swimming, Bowling, Bass Fishing, Shooting, Dance Team, Cheerleading

The Athletic Office will publish a list annually by June 1st for Fall sports and October 1st for Winter/Spring sports of sports teams for which homeschool students may apply. Team selection is solely at the discretion of the coach at the varsity level. Team selection at the Junior Varsity, Middle School and Elementary level is at the discretion of the head coach, however, at least 80% of the team must be comprised of TFCA Students and no full-time student can be displaced by homeschool athletes. Homeschool students must apply annually to play and meet all criteria established for homeschool students. Once a homeschool student is selected to play on a team, they will remain on that team for the season as long as they comply with school, TFCA Athletic Handbook and team policies. The Athletic office and the Administration will review any exceptions to these stipulations.