



Summer, 2007

Dear Middle School Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

As you know the Danvers Public Schools offer outstanding extracurricular programs. Because the cost of offering these programs continues to rise, the School Committee has again voted an activity fee policy for the 2007-2008 school year.

The fee schedule for the school year is outlined below. Students are assessed only for the activities in which they participate.

<b>SPORTS or ACTIVITY</b>	<b>FEE</b>
Grade 7 and Grade 8 Middle School Cross Country	\$27.00
Grade 7 and Grade 8 Middle School Field Hockey	\$27.00
Grade 7 and Grade 8 Middle School Spring Track	\$27.00
Middle School Theater	\$27.00

Please make your check payable to **“Danvers Public Schools”** and **submit to the athletic director or director of the fine arts activity before the start of the program.**

If the activity fee will create a financial hardship for your family, send a note to your child’s building principal explaining your hardship. All requests for waivers will be kept confidential.

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Below are the guidelines adopted by the School Committee:

**FAMILY MAXIMUM**

Five hundred dollars (\$500) per family. The burden of control is on the family. Each family is responsible for notifying the business office at 978-774-4800 when the maximum has been realized.

**REFUNDS**

No refunds will be given under the following conditions:

1. Intramural – after participating in one game.
2. Fine Arts Activity – after making the production and attending one practice.

**PLAYING TIME**

Paying an activity fee does not guarantee any amount of playing time.

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS**

The school administration may terminate an activity when there is an insufficient number of participants. In the event an activity is terminated, the activity fee will be refunded.

We regret having to impose these fees, however, we feel this is a better alternative than terminating school athletics and fine arts activities.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Lisa Dana, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

School Committee Voted March 12, 2007.