

# POLICY

## BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

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**Responsible Office: INSURANCE AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT OFFICE**

### STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE/INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT HEALTH INSURANCE REQUIREMENT

#### A. PURPOSE

To provide the ability for all students to obtain student accident insurance for a reasonable cost.

#### B. ISSUE

It is the Board's responsibility to provide an insurance carrier that shall make available optional student accident insurance. Anne Arundel County Public Schools requires that each student participating in interscholastic sports must have health insurance coverage either through a parent/guardian's health insurance policy or through the purchase of student accident insurance. If parents/guardians choose to purchase student accident insurance, they shall select the coverage they want and pay a premium directly to the insurer. The contract shall be between the parent/ guardian and the insurance company. The Board of Education shall assume no responsibility with regard to insurance purchased or the settling of any claims.

#### C. POSITION

The Board shall delegate authority to the Superintendent to develop guidance and procedures to ensure student accident insurance is made available to all students at the beginning of each school year. The Superintendent shall designate an individual who shall ensure the distribution of enrollment materials to the coach of each interscholastic sport team and provide guidance on the requirement that each athlete carry health insurance in order to participate. Students shall not be denied an opportunity to try out for an interscholastic athletic team because of economic status.

#### D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.

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*Note previous policy history:* Replaces Policy 702.01, adopted 06/06/73 and revised 05/20/91.