ATHLETICS 5.81

I. All Henry County School System schools, grades 7-12, shall be members of the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) and shall be governed by the rules and regulations adopted by AHSAA. Students who participate in athletics shall meet eligibility requirements established by AHSAA, the Henry County Board of Education and the Alabama Administrative Code. Membership dues will be paid from the internal accounts of each respective school.

- II. Students practicing or participating in any type of interscholastic athletics shall provide proof of accident insurance covering medical expenses of any injury sustained in a sport. The principal shall be responsible for obtaining proof, as evidenced by a signed statement from the student's parent(s)/legal guardian, of the student's insurance prior to practice or participation in interscholastic athletics. Such insurance may be made available to the parent(s)/legal guardian through the school or the parent(s)/legal guardian may submit evidence that insurance has been provided through another source.
- III. No student shall engage in practice or participate in any interscholastic game without the written permission of the student's parent(s)/legal guardian and a current physical examination as required by the Alabama High School Athletic Association being on file.
- IV. Pursuant to Alabama statutes, licensed medical personnel who act as volunteers for school events and agree to render emergency care or treatment shall be immune from civil liability for treatment of a participant in any school-sponsored athletic event, provided such treatment was rendered in accordance with acceptable standards of practice and was not objected to by the participant.
- V. All athletic programs of the Henry County Schools shall abide by AHSAA rules and legislative acts regarding athletes who sustain concussions, including annually providing information to parents and students regarding concussions, training coaches annually, and holding students suspected of having a concussion out of competition.
- VI. All students shall be subject to all Henry County Board of Education rules and to the Code of Student Conduct while attending athletic events and practices.

REFERENCES:	CODE OF ALABAMA
	16-8-8, 16-11-15.

ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION GUIDELINES

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