

Dear parents of charter and home school students residing within the School District of Newberry County,

As you are aware, two new laws concerning participation in District activities were recently passed and signed into law by the Governor that allow charter school and home school students to try out for and, if selected, participate in interscholastic activities at their residence zoned school. Our efforts are to support this new law and in doing so, we want to ensure a seamless transition into programs at our schools.

Extracurricular activities in our schools are defined as those activities sponsored solely by the resident school, carry no academic credit, do not fall within the scope of the regular curriculum, and have no requirement for enrollment in a class at the resident school. To participate in an activity, students will be asked to complete the application packet (which can be obtained at any school or on our webpage). We will be glad to assist with any questions that you may have.

We are strong advocates of the value of extracurricular activities. It is in these vital programs where young people learn lifelong lessons as important as those taught in the classroom. These extracurricular activities support the academic mission of our schools, are inherently educational, and foster success in later life.

Again, we welcome you and wish you well. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely.

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