

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are excited to announce that, again, during the 2016-2017 school year you will be able to pay your child's activity fees online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using payforit.net

Gibraltar School District has assessed a Student Activity Fee for the purpose of reducing the cost to the General Fund of operating extracurricular activities. The Activity fees generate approximately \$70,000 per year to help cover the total cost of the extracurricular programs which is approximately \$655,000 per year.

Activity Fee Payment

<u>Sport</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>Middle School</u>
First Sport	\$200	\$100
Second Sport	Free	Free
Third Sport	Free	Free

*** If student pays \$200 for a sport, they can participate in as many sports and/or clubs as they want**

<u>Clubs</u>	<u>High School</u>	<u>Middle School</u>
First Club	\$50	\$25
Second Club	\$50	\$25
Third Club	\$50	\$25
Fourth Club	\$50	\$25
* Cap for club only students	\$200	\$100

*\$600 cap for families (combined High School and Middle School)

* Certain clubs and teams are partially or completely self-funded. There may be additional costs associated with these clubs or teams. Please contact the coach or sponsor to find out total costs.

Clubs that require an Activity Fee:

Carlson High School

BPA, Drama (kids not in the class), Quiz Bowl, Foreign Language, DECA, Bowling, Pep Club

Shumate Middle School

Bowling Club, Math Counts, Anime

Clubs no longer offered at Carlson or Shumate:

Ski Club, Renaissance Club

PAYMENT DEADLINES

- 1) All athletes are required to pay the Student Activity Fee prior to the first day of official practice. Dates will vary for each sport. Coaches will be required to include the payment of fees in their pre-season checklist. Student-athletes **will not** be permitted to participate in any practice session before this fee is paid. Student-athletes are permitted to tryout.
- 2) Clubs will be required to pay the Student Activity Fee prior to participating in the first meeting.

PAYMENT METHODS

1. **Preferred** method of payment is the electronic payment system that is accessible on the district and school web pages.

The direct website to make a payment is www.payforit.net.

To set up an account you will need a valid email address, a credit card or check routing information and your child's student identification number which may be found in your Parent Connect under Demographics. (Please note this is a different number from your Parent Connect log in). Your card number will be stored securely so that you may make additional payments in the future without re-registering.

Or

2. Submit check, money order or certified bank check to the school athletic and activity office. Include the student ID# on the check. Make checks payable to *Gibraltar School District*.

Cash payment will not be accepted.

FEE RULES

The fee is non-refundable unless the student is cut from the athletic/activity roster and did not participate in any other athletic/extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year. Refunds will be issued during the summer after all student obligations have been fulfilled. Any outstanding student obligations will be deducted from the refund at that time. Students who voluntarily drop out of an activity, become academically ineligible, or are removed from the activity due to not following the Code of Conduct will forfeit their fee.

The Activity Fee entitles the participant access to athletic or extracurricular activities and does not guarantee position, role or playing time. It does not guarantee the participant or his/her family, parent or guardian control over any conditions, guidelines or policies regarding the team or activities. Student athletes will continue to be required to meet all obligations of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, the Gibraltar School District Student Handbooks and the Student Athletic Code of Conduct.

Sincerely,

Jessica Shultz- Principal, Carlson High School
Els Ferguson-Principal, Shumate Middle School