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DATE: April 26, 2021

TO: John O'Brien, Superintendent
Zen Kelly, Board of Education President

FROM: Kari Dendurent
KPSAA Executive Secretary

RE: **KPSAA Co-Curricular Handbook Changes for SY 2021-22**

Attached please find the Handbook changes for the following:

Middle School Handbook Changes

1. **Page 10, IV. STUDENT ELIGIBILITY, Section A, Parent/Student Responsibilities for Participation, Item 3 and Item 4.**
Procedural change to include Concussion Information and Sudden Cardiac Arrest for middle school parents and students. (Obtained from ASAA, see enclosed documents)
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 - (3. Concussion Information Parent and Student Verification.** Student acknowledgement they have received a copy of "Head's Up: Concussion in High School Sports – A Fact Sheet for Athletes and parent acknowledgement they have received a copy of "A Parent's Guide to Concussions in Sports" and understand its contents.
 - (4. Sudden Cardiac Arrest.** Parent and student acknowledge they reviewed and understand the symptoms and warning signs of SCA.
2. *Page 55, Appendix D, Team/Staffing Guidelines:* See suggested staffing guidelines on enclosed document. Changes will be noted in red.
3. *Multiple Pages –*
 - a. Updating the school year references from 2020-21 to 2021-22
 - b. Updating the borough tournament and music festival dates and locations
 - c. Updating the Interest Survey results from the 2021 data survey

High School Handbook Changes

1. **Page 11-12, IV. STUDENT ELIGIBILITY, Section C, Student Scholastic Eligibility for Participation, Item 1. d. and e.**

Language change for regaining eligibility for spring sports participation. This change is to allow for consistency in credit recovery and regaining eligibility for athletes wanting to participate in spring sports.

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d. Students who are ineligible as a result of not having passed five (5) semester units or four (4) units for seniors who are on track to graduate during the 1st semester may count credit recovery classes passed during the third quarter to regain eligibility for spring sports. In order to regain eligibility for spring sports, the student must complete the credit recovery class before the end of the third quarter, maintain a GPA of no less than 2.0 and have passed at least five (5) semester units or four (4) units for seniors on track to graduate. In addition, a student who was deemed ineligible at the end of the 1st semester for insufficient credits will not be permitted to continue the winter sport they were participating in at the time, even if the credit recovery class(es) are completed before the end of the winter sport season. These students will remain ineligible until the start of the spring sports season.

e. Students who are ineligible as a result of a 2nd semester failing grade or a GPA of less than 2.0 at the end of the second semester will begin their ineligibility immediately for any sport continuing into the summer. The ineligibility period will continue through the first day that practice begins for the sport in which that student participates in the fall and will run for three calendar weeks or two competitive events, whichever is longer. Classes passed during the summer school can be used to regain eligibility as soon as the class is successfully completed if the student has a GPA of not less than 2.0 and has passed at least five (5) semester units with the previous semester and summer school combined.

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~~e. Students who are ineligible as a result of not having passed five (5) semester units during the spring semester may count courses taken in summer school toward those five (5) semester units.~~

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 - c. Updating the Interest Survey results from the 2021 data survey
 - d. Updating the ASAA Activities Calendar to 2021-22 SY