

## Mid-Season Athletic Transfer Verification - Effective August 1, 2016

Any student-athlete who is authorized to transfer from one school to another must meet the following criteria:

Eligibility of students who transfer is immediate, with certain limiting conditions:

- a) School Districts, FHSAA, Charter Schools may NOT delay eligibility if student changes schools due to controlled open enrollment or choice. New controlled open enrollment provisions go into effect in 2017-18.
- b) Students may not participate in the same sport in the same year at more than one school (see list of exceptions below that are clarifying language)
- c) Mid-season transfers may seek to immediately join a team under certain conditions:
  - 1. Roster for the sport has not reached maximum size
  - 2. Coach determines student has skill and ability
  - 3. May not participate if already participated in same sport at another school that same year unless they meet one of the items on the exception list below:
    - A. Children of active duty military whose move resulted from military orders
    - B. Children relocated due to foster care placement
    - C. Children who move due to a court-ordered change in custody due to separation or divorce, or serious illness or death of a custodial parent.
    - D. Authorized for good cause in district, private or charter school board policy.
      - 1. Move to a new residence following the marriage of the student. The student immediately establishes a new residence that makes it necessary to attend a different school.
      - 2. Reassignment by District School Board or Charter School Board d) Transfer of school within the first twenty days i.e. acceptance into a previously applied for magnet program.
      - 3. Undue Hardship appeal which will require the Good Cause Review Committee to intervene and

make a decision on a case led by the District Coordinator of Athletics. The following items will need to be submitted to the District Coordinator of Athletics (Copy of signed and notarized Pasco County Athletic Participation Form, copy of the FHSAA EL2, EL3, notarized EL6, and a letter of hardship stating the reason for the "Hardship" appeal, signed and dated by parent or guardian). Once all completed paperwork has been submitted, a decision by the committee will be given within 10 school days. This decision will be final.