



## BFIS Playing Time Policy for Team Sports

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### Mission

Our purpose is to engage our diverse school community in the pursuit of educational excellence and success for all students. (BFIS Mission Statement)

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BFIS recognizes that playing time during games is a critical factor in the development of individual players. Athletes are given equal practice time during training and are all given the opportunity to play in competitive league games.

During matches, the goal is to have the optimal level of group performance, which often means that not all players will receive equal playing time. It is up to the coach to determine which players s/he believes are performing at the highest level and to determine the playing time allotted to each player.

Additional factors that are taken into consideration in determining the amount of playing time include:

- Attendance (including on-time arrival) and level of commitment to the team at practices and both home and away games
- Effort and attitude during practices and games
- Respectful behavior towards the coach and fellow team members
- Whether the team is Elementary (less competitive) or MS/HS (more competitive)
- Ability to work/play well with teammates
- Fitness level

Our sports program is designed to provide each athlete with the opportunity to demonstrate her/his best athletic ability while maintaining a spirit of respect and cooperation, and encouraging a culture of positive competition.

