



Mukwonago High School

PLAYER SELECTION AND PLAYING TIME PHILOSOPHY

It is the position of the Mukwonago High School Athletic program that an effort be made to involve the most amount of students as can reasonably be accomplished while still maintaining a competitive balance.

Player Selection:

Each sport and each team within a sport is unique as to number of athletes making up the team. The number of team members and method of selection rests with the coaching staff. Team size and the selection process is based on a system of selection devised by the coaching staff. The administrative directive pertaining to the selection process is that a system chosen must allow for adequate assessment time, fair and unbiased rating of player skill and ability, and a sensitive method of communicating team selection. Ultimately, selection will be scrutinized and judgment challenged. However, the particular coach(es) involved in a sport are the most qualified to make un-inhibited player selection.

Consideration including skill, raw talent, ability, attendance, coachability, character, and academic performance are legitimate considerations.

Playing Time:

How playing time is decided is at the sole discretion of the particular team coach and in conjunction with the entire staff. The administrative directive pertaining to playing time is that a conscious effort be made to involve as many players as reasonable while maintaining a competitive balance. Legitimate considerations with determining playing time are ability and attitude. Playing time may be altered for disciplinary reasons or based on practice effort and attendance.

It is understood that match-ups with the opponent, and other strategic considerations often determine playing time.

Playing time, to a limited extent, should be inversely proportional to the level of play. That is to say that at the development level Frosh and JV more consideration is placed on player development and participation and less emphasis is placed on competitiveness (however, playing to win is a reality). At the Varsity level the competitive goal is stronger than at the Frosh or JV level and playing time (participation) does become influenced by game conditions.

Approach the coach in a civil manner and not right after a game. If you have questions regarding playing time, be willing to accept frank and straightforward explanations.