

## **Participation Fee Awareness Statement**

As explained in the PUSD Student/Parent Handbook, a one-time per-year participation fee of \$25 will be assessed to enable the student to participate in any elementary athletic activity. The fee is to be paid prior to competing in district sports and participating in district activities. There is a \$50 family cap for two or more participants from the same family.

Please consider the amount of financial support essential in running the athletic and activities program in Peoria Unified School District. These PUSD programs offer 37,000 students the chance to participate in extra-curricular activities to enhance their educational experience. The \$25 participation fee helps to offset the costs associated with transportation, equipment, uniforms, tournament registration, officials, coaches, and many other goods and services. The fee is assessed once per academic school year, regardless of how many sports your son or daughter participates in. Fees are due prior to the first game of the season. You have the option to designate your fee as an Arizona tax credit.

While participation fees play an essential role in the maintenance and improvement of our athletics and activities programs, we also understand the difficulty of paying \$25 to participate. **PUSD parents have the option of a payment plan**. The first installment must be paid before students will be permitted to compete or perform. Each additional installment will guarantee the student's participation in the sport or activity through the remainder of the season and for additional sports and activities throughout the remainder of the school year. Please see your site administration for details.

## **Paying the Participation Fee**

The participation fee is payable in the office, which accepts cash, credit/debit cards, and checks payable to the Peoria Unified School District. You also have the option of submitting a <u>tax credit form</u> with your payment.

## **Payment Plan**

For information about the payment plan option, please visit the administration on your campus

## **Awareness Statement**

I understand that the Peoria Unified School District will assess a \$25 participation fee to my son/daughter's account for their participation in an extra-curricular activity. I agree to pay the fee prior to the first competition, or to enroll in a payment plan to pay the fee in full.

Parent's (Guardian) signature	Date