

Participation Fee Awareness Statement

As explained in the PUSD Student/Parent Handbook, a per-sport participation fee of \$100 will be assessed to enable the student to participate in any of the following AIA activities: Athletics, Spiritline, Band, Chorus, Esports, and/or Speech & Debate. The fee is to be paid prior to competing in district sports and participating in district activities. Requests for fee waiver consideration due to hardship must be directed to your school's athletic director. There is a \$200 cap for each athlete, and a \$400 cap for each 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 \$100 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 a lump-sum of \$100 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 athletic director for details.

Paying the Participation Fee

The participation fee is payable in the Bookstore, 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 Bookstore or Athletics Office on your campus

Awareness Statement

By agreeing online through Register my Athlete, I understand that the Peoria Unified School District will assess a \$100 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. I understand that students with unpaid fees may be prevented from purchasing homecoming or prom tickets.