

BELLE CHASSE ACADEMY

STUDENT FEE POLICY

Athletic Fee

BCA presently has only one student fee. That one fee is in the amount of \$25.00 that BCA charges for a student's participating in an organized athletic activity. These activities include flag football, volleyball, basketball, cross country, soccer, baseball, softball, tennis, track and field, cheer leading and dance. At a meeting of parents of athletic students those attending agreed that this fee was reasonable.

Revenues generated from the collected student fees help defray the cost of BCA's providing the necessary resources for the development of student athletes, including outstanding coaches and a weight room facility.

The collection of the athletic fee is by the individual coaches under the supervision of the Athletic Director supervising that sport who in turn reports collections to the Business Manager. Cash is the preferred method of payment for which a receipt is given to the parent/guardian. Payment is requested to be made at the beginning of each activity, unless other arrangements have been made.

An athletic fee may be payable later or in installments, or may be reduced or waived for economically disadvantaged students and students whose families are experiencing economic hardship and are unable to pay them timely, fully, or at all. Eligibility for delayed payment, or for reduced, or waived fees includes, but is not limited to, those families receiving unemployment benefits or public assistance (including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families-TANF, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - SNAP, Supplemental Security Income - SSI or Medicaid), workers' compensation benefits, foster families caring for children in foster care, families that are homeless, families where the student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are serving in, or within the previous year has served in, active military service.

Those seeking delayed fee payment or reductions or waivers of this fee should submit their written requests for such relief to Michael J. Rocks, BCA Director of Operations, (504) 433-5850, email: mrocks@bellechasseacademy.com for resolution. Those who are denied an economic hardship waiver request should submit a written appeal containing the reason(s) why their economic hardship waiver should be granted to Jane M. Dye, BCA School Leader, (504) 433-5850, email: jdye@bellechasseacademy.org within seven (7) days of denial by the Director of Operations. The School Leader will respond to the appeal within 7 days of receipt of

written appeal. If the School Leader does not grant the appeal, the family should seek relief from the Louisiana Department of Education as outlined in the BCA student handbook.

No Athletic Fees or any other fees will be assessed that are not authorized by this Student Fee Policy.

Failure to pay the required Athletic Fee shall not result in the withholding of a student's educational record.

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LDE “Guidance on Student Fees” – August 2017

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Note: Emboldened items are scheduled for adoption by the BCA Board of Directors at the regularly scheduled December 2, 2019 meeting.