

Committee Meeting: Policy & Governance Committee | Date: March 8, 2019

Committee Chair: Kathleen Masiello

New or Edited: Edited Athletics

**POLICY NAME:** Athletic Participation Policy

**POLICY TYPE:** Managerial

SUBMITTED BY: Steven Smith, VP for Enrollment Management

# **ISSUE OR STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

To provide guidelines for athletic funding and participation.

**NEW OR EDITED POLICY:** Edited. Athletics, last updated 10/26/17

Students who wish to participate in athletics at SUNY Erie Community College must meet the eligibility requirements as outlined in the College Catalog and Student Handbook which was established by Student Services and the Board of Trustees and must adhere to the Departments Code of Student Athlete Conduct for each sport program, for each semester of participation.

Student athletes participating at the intercollegiate level in any of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) certified sports must be eligible to compete based on the requirements set forth by SUNY Erie Community College and the NJCAA. Student athletes are required to follow the SUNY Erie Community College Code of Student Conduct as well as Rules of Conduct established by the NJCAA.

Students in leadership positions will sign a release allowing their grades to be used to determine eligibility and for advisement purposes by College Counselors and Mentors. Student athletes will sign a NJCAA Eligibility Form giving the College permission to release his/her transcripts to the NJCAA; and allowing their grades to be used to determine eligibility and for advisement purposes by College and Department Mentors

SUNY Erie is committed to the National Junior College Athletic Association Position Statements on Gender Equity, Substance Use and Abuse, Safety, and Coaching and Athletic Administrator Ethics which support the physical, mental, and academic wellbeing of our student athletes. We strive to create an environment where student athletes are able to fulfill their academic and athletic potential, and reach their goals.

**DOES IT SUPERCEDE A POLICY/WHICH ONE:** Yes. Athletics, last updated 10/26/17.



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# POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Policy & Governance Committee recommends the Board of Trustees accept this Managerial policy under the Committee Briefings, Policy & Governance Committee. This Policy supersedes all prior policies/procedures and practices related to Athletics.

# POLICY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Trustee Kathleen Masiello, Provost and Executive Vice President Douglas Scheidt, Executive Vice President for Administration and Finance Penelope Howard, VP Human Resources, Equity and Inclusion Tracey Cleveland (by phone), Vice President of Enrollment Management Steven Smith, Director of Registrar Paul Lamanna, Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences Joanne Colmerauer, Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences Jamie Smith, Professor and College Senate Representative Michael Delaney, Dean of Students Jason Perri

**DATE OF BOARD ACCEPTANCE:** April 25, 2019

# POLICY & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE TEAM FOLLOW-UP:

Following Trustee acceptance, this Managerial policy will be included in the SUNY Erie Community College Managerial Policy Manual.

# INFORMATION/INPUT CONSIDERED DURING POLICY COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS:

The Policy has been reviewed and discussed at the Policy & Governance Committee meeting of March 8, 2019.