



Education and Leadership for a Lifetime

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May 2018

Dear Superintendent:

Minnesota Statutes, Section 128C.01, requires individual school boards to authorize membership in the Minnesota State High School League. The Resolution for Membership (Resolution) affirms (1) that your school board delegates the control, supervision and regulation of League-sponsored athletic and fine arts activities to the Minnesota State High School League; (2) that your school board adopts the MSHSL Constitution, Bylaws and Rules and Regulations; and, (3) that the administration and responsibility for supervising your registered activities is assigned to your official school representative(s).

Section 208.00 of the MSHSL Constitution found in the Official Handbook and online at mshsl.org provides that each member school shall identify a **Designated School Representative** and **Designated School Board Member**. In addition, each school must identify individuals to represent boys' sports, girls' sports, speech and music; schools are also urged to form a **Local Advisory Committee** to address MSHSL matters. Page 2 of the Resolution provides language from the Constitution and space for your school to identify those persons who will represent your school.

Please return one copy of pages 1 and 2 of the 2018-2019 Resolution for Membership for each high school to the Minnesota State High School League and retain one copy of each for your school files. The deadline for returning the Resolution Form(s) is as soon as possible but not later than August 31, 2018. If your Designated School Board Member, Designated School Representative, Activity Representatives or Mailing Representative has changed from the previous year, please have your school's activity director make the change on your school's page on the MSHSL website database. If the Resolution is not received by the above date, a \$250 late fee will be assessed. No school is eligible to compete in regular or post-season tournaments unless the completed Resolution is on file in the League office.

A billing for services, rule books, and other supplies ordered for your school will be mailed in mid-August.

Please be reminded of the following:

1. August 1 begins the MSHSL fiscal year and the Resolution for Membership for the 2018-2019 school year must be approved by your local school board.
2. **Augusts 31, 2018 is the due date for return of the Resolution Form.** A late fee will be assessed if the Resolution is not returned by that date; **your students WILL NOT BE COVERED** by the catastrophic insurance plan; your school district must assume that responsibility; and your students will not be allowed to participate in League-sponsored events.
3. **The Resolution must be completed in full**, including viewing of the *WHY WE PLAY* training video and a review of the Code of Conduct Statement. Signatures of the superintendent and clerk/secretary of the school board affirm such compliance. The video is available on the homepage of the MSHSL website or you may contact League staff.

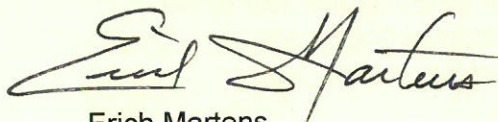
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This mailing has been sent to all current member schools. If your school chooses *not* to become a member for the 2018-2019 school year, please email Lynne Johnson at ljohnson@mshsl.org. This does not prevent you from re-establishing your membership with the League in the future.

The focus of the Minnesota State High School League is "Education and Leadership for a Lifetime" and membership in the MSHSL will provide your students with rewarding benefits as they participate in the education-based athletics and fine arts activities sponsored by your school.

The League staff looks forward to an on-going partnership with your school, your school personnel, and the students in your school community.

Sincerely,



Erich Martens
Executive Director

Enclosure

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**2018-2019 RESOLUTION FOR MEMBERSHIP
IN THE MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE**

RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of School District Number _____, County of _____, State of Minnesota delegates the control, supervision and regulation of interscholastic athletic and fine arts events (referred to in MN Statutes, Section 128C.01) to the Minnesota State High School League, and so hereby certifies to the State Commissioner of Education as provided for by Minnesota Statutes.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the high school(s) listed below (name all high schools in the district):

is/are authorized by this, the Governing Board of said school district or school to:

1. _____ Make new application for membership in the Minnesota State High School League; School Enrollment (9-12): _____
OR;
_____ Renew its membership in the Minnesota State High School League; and,
2. Participate in the approved interschool activities sponsored by said League and its various subdivisions.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Governing Board hereby adopts the Constitution, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of said League and all amendments thereto as the same as are published in the latest edition of the League's *Official Handbook*, on file at the office of the school district or as appears on the League's website, as the minimum standards governing participation in said League-sponsored activities, and that the administration and responsibility for determining student eligibility and for the supervision of such activities are assigned to the official representatives identified by this Governing Board.

Signing the Resolution for Membership affirms that this Governing Board has reviewed the WHY WE PLAY training video which defines the purpose of education-based athletic and activity programs and will assist school communities in communicating a shared common language as it relates to the value of these said programs.

Member schools must develop and publicize administrative procedures to address eligibility suspensions related to Code of Student Conduct violations for students participating in activity programs by member schools.

The above Resolution was adopted by the Governing Board of this school district and is recorded in the official minutes of said Board and hereby is certified to the State Commissioner of Education as provided for by law.

Signed: _____
Clerk/Secretary - Local Governing Board

Signed: _____
Superintendent or Head of School

Date: _____

Date: _____

District Office Address, City, Zip: _____

School Superintendent's Phone: _____ School Superintendent's Email: _____

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The following is taken from the MSHSL Constitution:

208.00 LOCAL CONTROL

208.01 Designated School Representatives

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Name of School (Please Print)

208.01 VOTE ON BEHALF OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

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(Please Print)

Designated School Representative
(Please Print)

Email Address

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208.02 ACTIVITY REPRESENTATIVES

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(Please Print)

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Music
(Please Print)

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