

OFSAA 2005 TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY LIST

Association: _____ School: _____ Phone #: _____

Coach's Name: (Print) _____ Home #: _____

List of Competitors: (Please print or type and give both names of each competitor.)

	Given & Surname	Age	Grade
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The following section must be completed in accordance with the OFSAA Transfer Policy which appears on back.
Have any of the students listed on the Eligibility List transferred schools in the past twelve (12) months? Yes ___ No

To have been included on the Eligibility List, such players must have been declared eligible. Please list these players below and fill in the required information.

Name of Transfer Student	Date of entry into present school	Under what category of Transfer Policy was eligibility granted? (a - f)	Was approval granted by Assoc. Appeal Board or OFSAA Board of Reference?
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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This is to certify that all competitors listed are duly registered in this Association of OFSAA and are eligible to participate in this year's Track & Field Championship under the Rules and Regulations of this Association and those of OFSAA, including the OFSAA Transfer Policy which appears on page two. **Note:** A teacher from the same school, or a retired teacher, as approved by the Principal of the school, must accompany and be responsible for the behaviour of his/her team members for the duration of the Championship. If the teacher is not of the same sex as the athletes, and where the athletes are required or might be required to stay overnight, a supervisory adult, as approved by the Principal of the school, of the same sex as the athletes, must be present and available at the accommodation site for the duration of their stay in the accommodation.

Teacher Responsible for Team

Teacher Responsible for Individual

Coach

Designated Adult (Individuals)

Same Gender Adult (if necessary)

School Principal

This Eligibility Form must be available for your Association's convenor to submit with the OFSAA entry package.

THE FEDERATION'S TRANSFER POLICY

The Federation recognizes the right of all students to choose which school they attend and which subjects they study. The Federation, however, is charged with the responsibility of drafting, implementing and enforcing rules of eligibility for those who seek the **privilege** of participating in Federation sponsored events. The overriding purpose of these rules is to ensure fair and equitable competition. The Federation's Transfer Policy applies to all students transferring into Ontario high schools.

Every student who has been registered as a transfer from another school within the previous twelve (12) months is ineligible for Federation-sanctioned events, unless he/she appeals and is deemed eligible by the OFSAA Board of Reference – Transfers under one of the six following sections.

- (a) (i) there has been an accompanying change in legal residence by the student and his/her immediate family to the designated school from any system (public, catholic or independent) according to school board boundaries (or is the closest school in the student's choice of school system to the student's home if no school boundaries exist). (Immediate family is the parent(s) or the student's legal guardian as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction.)
- (ii) Students transferring to an Ontario school from outside North America may apply under this section.
- (iii) A student attending a school as a result of the closure of his/her former school may apply under this section.
- (b) (i) the student did not participate in any sports at the interschool level for twelve months prior to the date of transfer.
OR
- (ii) the student accepts his/her ineligibility under the Transfer Policy, but requests eligibility for the sports he/she did not participate in at the interschool level for the twelve months prior to the date of transfer.
- (c) the student has transferred from a non-semestered school to a semestered school for Semester I and is either within one (1) semester of graduation **or** is within four credits of the academic requirements for university admission. The purpose of such a transfer is to complete high school in one semester. Such a student is eligible for Semester I only and will be ineligible for twelve (12) months after the conclusion of the semester.
- (d) the student **has been placed** in a school by (i) an I.P.R.C. (Identification, Placement and Review Committee) decision; or (ii) a court order. The Federation's Board of Reference shall require and receive a letter from the principal of the school from which the student has transferred, stating the reason for the placement of the student by I.P.R.C., or a copy of the court order placing the student in the new school, whichever is applicable.
- (e) the student has transferred for major academic program needs. Major academic program needs are defined as a series of related courses which is unattainable at the previous school and which is a pre-requisite for entrance requirements for a specific post-secondary goal (i.e. college or university entrance, employment, apprenticeship).
- (f) the student:
 - (i) has transferred prior to their grade 10 year for exceptional personal, social or academic reasons. Documentation detailing these exceptional reasons must accompany the appeal.
 - (ii) has changed residence to live with a custodial parent, or to live with a new, court-appointed legal guardian for exceptional personal reasons. Documentation showing that there was just cause for the move must accompany the appeal.
 - (iii) has transferred to remove him/herself from an abusive home environment. Documentation detailing the abusive situation shall be provided by the applicant from the sending school, psychologists, social worker, medical doctor or police, as the case may be. (All documentation will be reviewed respecting confidentiality.)
 - (iv) has been forced to leave an independent school specifically due to financial hardship. The appeal must include the following information: information regarding change in tuition fees; documentation regarding family requests for bursary assistance to meet financial hardship; documentation regarding significant changes in the financial situation of the family; and, confirmation that the student will be attending the designated school in their home catchment area.
 - (v) **Failed Intervention Strategies:** The student who has transferred (or is considering transferring) experienced educational and/or social difficulties that have clearly been documented on the student's scholastic record and, in the opinion of school administration, it is in the best interest of the student to transfer schools as a direct result of the failure of the intervention strategies put in place by the school to deal with the situation. The transfer must be approved by the receiving and sending school principals and both schools' athletic coordinators or heads of physical education. Students should apply prior to the actual transfer of schools if possible.

Notwithstanding any of the above, no student may play the same sport for more than one school in the same League or municipality in the same school year unless the student is ruled eligible by the Federation's Board of Reference under subsection (a) of the Transfer Policy.

Notes:

1. Once a student has changed schools he/she is considered a transfer student and even if he/she returns to a school, he/she must comply with the Transfer Policy.
2. The word "participate" in section (b) of the Transfer Policy means competing for your school in that activity. This includes exhibition games and invitational tournaments/events, not just league play.
3. The Board of Reference **will not consider** as reasons for transfer:
 - (i) the relative ranking of schools or the differences in delivery of courses with the same Ministry course codes;
 - (ii) that a sport or team is no longer offered at the previous school.
4. Students moving from a school in a strike/lock-out area are ineligible for all sports played in the previous 12 months from their date of entry into the new school.
5. Out of province and out of country exchange students are not considered transfer students and are eligible for all sports.
6. Students who have graduated from high school or equivalent in other provinces, states or countries, and have the number of required credits to be eligible for post secondary education in Ontario, are ineligible for OFSAA competition.
7. Students applying under Sections C, E or F must attend the next closest school (of their choice of school system) to their home residence.

The Federation's Board of Reference shall, in its sole and exclusive discretion and authority, consider such application and rule the student eligible or ineligible.