

MAHSHL HS District Alignment Policy

MAHSHL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ALIGNMENT

Student athletes registered with the Kansas City Youth Hockey Association (KCYHA) and the Mid America Hockey Association (MAHA) are required to play on the "Club" team corresponding to their high school district alignment. Future players in the Mid America High School Hockey League (MAHSHL) may participate with an existing team in the league based on one of these two criteria.

1. The high school and or school district that student is enrolled in.
 - a. If Home schooled the rule will be enforced where the students' residence resides.
2. **The "Legacy Rule"**
 - a. Any future player who has participated with the same youth organization at the bantam or u14 level for the past two (2) consecutive years, that student athlete is eligible to participate with that same organization in the MAHSHL if different from the team aligned with the high school that student is enrolled.
 - i. *The exception to this "**Legacy Rule**" is any active player enrolled at *Rockhurst High School* must participate for the Rockhurst Hockey Club and *Carriage Club* hockey players must be current and active members of Carriage Club)

If the high school you attend is not listed under any of the "Club" teams that are eligible, you must contact the League Commissioner for approval.

Players outside the Kansas City Metro area must roster with the MAHSHL club closest to their primary residence and must have Commissioners approval.

Players shall not register for a team unless they are eligible by district rules, or have been granted written permission from the League Commissioner.

Failure to comply with the High School District Alignment Rule shall result in immediate player suspension, pending a hearing of the MAHSHL discipline committee.

Should a player desire to join a club other than the one stipulated by these regulations, the player or their parent/guardian is required to submit a Club Exemption Request to the League Commissioner. This Exemption Request must provide a detailed explanation for the player's wish to play for an out-of-boundary club. The League Commissioner will evaluate these requests, consult with coaches from both affected clubs, and subsequently approve or reject the exemption request. The League Commissioner shall take into account: the reason(s) stated within the request, the anticipated impact on the competitive balance of all clubs, and the player's history of any prior movement between clubs.

Appeals: Any appeal of the Exemption Request decision must be filed with the League Commissioner within 7 days of the decision, and will be reviewed by the MAHSHL Board of Directors.

Each club is responsible for verifying that their rosters include only players who are allowed to play on their teams under these District Alignment rules.

Any club which rosters or allows a player to play in a MAHSHL game that is non-compliant with these rules is subject to disciplinary action by the league including any or all of the following:

- Forfeiture of games in which the player participated
- Suspension of Coach(es) who allowed the player to play
- Fines of up to \$500 per game.

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Blue Hawk	Stars	Saints	Knights
Blue Valley School District	Bashor Linwood	Excelsior Springs	Belton
Gardner Edgerton	Olathe Northwest	Kansas City Kansas	Blue Springs
Lewisburg	Olathe North	Kearney	Center
Olathe East	DeSoto	Leavenworth	Fort Osage
Olathe South	Mill Valley	Liberty	Grain Valley
Shawnee Mission South	Shawnee Mission East	Liberty North	Grandview
Spring Hill	Shawnee Mission NW	Missouri City School District	Ruskin
St Thomas Aquinas	Shawnee Mission North	Park Hill	Independence School District
*Olathe West	Shawnee Mission West	Smithville	Kansas City MO School District
	Bonner Springs	Platte County	Lees Summit School District
	Piper	Turner	Lone Jack
	Lansing	West Platte	Oak Grove
	St James	Winnetonka	Pleasant Hill
	*Olathe West		Raymore Peculiar
			Raytown School District
			Summit Christian

*Olathe West on a case by case basis

*Changes made for Realignment