

May 21, 2010

On May 20, 2010 the Fairfax County School Board finalized the FY 2011 budget. This budget will impact athletics and activities in several ways:

- A \$100 per sport, per student Athletic Administration Fee (AAF) will be charged for participation in all VHSL athletics.
- The funds collected from the AAF will directly support the Student Activities and Athletics Program (SAAP) budget which exceeds \$21 million system wide.
- The drill team supplement has been eliminated. Many schools use this supplement to support a dance team sponsor.
- Winter cheer has been eliminated (fall sideline and competitive cheer will continue)
- Swim practices using Fairfax County Park Authority pools have been reduced by one day (from 4 days per week to 3).
- Significant modifications will be made to the current athletic transportation protocols. Transportation will continue to be provided.
- The AAF will be waived for students who are eligible for free and reduced-price meals.
- There is no relationship between the AAF and a guarantee of student playing time. Playing time is at the sole decision of the Head Coach and his/her staff.

AAF billing and collection details will be provided over the next few weeks. No payments should be made at this time. It is expected that an online payment system will be available by the 2011 spring season.

For further information please refer to the approved budget available here:

<http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2011.htm>