



SELECTION CLASSIFICATION

The Selection Classification program is a process for screening student-athletes in grade 7 and 8 to determine readiness to compete at a higher level of competition (varsity or junior varsity) than their current grade level. It is based on readiness, rather than grade level. This program has been designed to assess a student-athlete's physical maturation, physical fitness, and skill. This program is intended for the **exceptional** few in each school who would be better served playing on a higher level than age or grade might indicate. Parents who wish for their child to be considered for this program should contact the Athletic Director. Information must be collected and evaluated by the Director of Athletics/Physical Education before a student may try out for a team. Considerations that must be met include:

1. Recommendation for inclusion in this process will come from coaches, Athletic Director, and physical education teachers.
2. Parental permission.
3. Medical examination and approval by the school/family physician with the development or maturity level determined by the school/family physician in accordance with established guidelines for the level of a particular sport.
4. The six-item athletic performance test must be administered by a physical education teacher or by the Director of Athletics/Physical Education. The athlete must meet or exceed the criteria established for the level of participation desired.
5. The individual's prior experience and skill level is judged on the demands of the sport at the level of play at which the student is seeking to qualify.

More detailed information about the Selection Classification program and the necessary forms can be found at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association website. www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/pe/documents/scrivised2005.pdf