



<i>The Classical Academy</i>	<i>Policies and Procedures</i>
Policy Name:	TCA College Pathways/Cottage School Program Athletics/Activities Participation at TCA Traditional Schools
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Background

- ❖ The Classical Academy (TCA) College Pathways (CP), is registered with the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) as a multi-district hybrid-online school and is not a comprehensive secondary school.
- ❖ TCA Cottage School Program (CSP) is a part-time home school program and is not a comprehensive elementary school.
- ❖ CSP and CP do not offer athletics, extra-curricular performing arts, or Colorado High School Sports and Activities (CHSAA) sanctioned activities.
- ❖ Per C.R.S. 22-32-116.5, the school district is responsible for the placement of students if the student's school of attendance does not offer a specific activity. As a result, if there is a question between this policy and Academy School District 20 (ASD20) IGDJ policies, the ASD20 policies supersede the TCA one.
- ❖ TCA and ASD20 together have defined guidelines for managing placement of CSP/CP students who wish to participate in activities. These protocols are found in this policy and additional secondary (grades 7-12) protocols are found in ASD20 Policies IGDJ, IGDJ-R, and IGDJ-E.
- ❖ There are three categories of activities covered by this policy and each one has different specifications: CHSAA Athletics and Activities, Non-CHSAA Activities, and Athletics/Activities Camps and Clinics.
- ❖ This policy covers TCA-sponsored athletics/activities run by TCA staff members. TCA Junior High Mountain Lab and student-run organizations, including student council events, are exempt from this policy. Per Policy JJA-TCA, all student organizations meeting on school premises shall be open to and limited to all students currently enrolled in the sponsoring school on a voluntary basis.

CHSAA Athletics/Activities

CP students may participate in CHSAA interscholastic athletics and activities. Per ASD20 and CHSAA placement standards, all CP students must fill out an ASD20 Request for Participation form **annually**. Current links to Request for Participation forms are found on the TCA website: [Athletics at CP / Athletics at CP \(tcatitans.org\)](https://tcatitans.org/Athletics-at-CP/) and [Activities/Athletics / Welcome to the Activities Office \(tcatitans.org\)](https://tcatitans.org/Activities/Athletics-Welcome-to-the-Activities-Office/).

- ❖ Through the Request for Participation form process, CP students may be eligible to participate in TCA Junior High and TCA High School athletics/activities programs under three areas: past participation, sibling rule, and a request to be in the ASD20 lottery process for TCA.
 - "Past participation" means if the student was previously assigned a school for participation, the student will be assigned back to previously assigned school for participation following review of the Request for Participation. It does not mean the student automatically makes the team at the assigned school. According to statute a

“school of participation” means a school, other than the student’s school of attendance, in which the student participates in an activity. “Past participation” indicates that a student has previously participated at TCA for a CHSAA activity, at the requested school level. Once a student is assigned to a school, the student is assigned to that school for all CHSAA activities.

- Siblings of students currently assigned to TCA Junior High or TCA High School (separate and distinct) by ASD20 are assigned to participate for all CHSAA activities offered at each of the schools, unless their parents elect to enter the ASD20 placement system (neighborhood school or lottery, as appropriate).
 - Both past participation and the sibling rule apply to TCA Junior High and TCA High School separately. If a CP student qualifies for TCA Junior High (grades 7-8), the student does not automatically qualify for TCA High School (grades 9-12). TCA Junior High and TCA High School are two legally separate schools.
 - The determination is made after the annual ASD20 Request for Participation form is submitted.
 - A College Pathways student may request to be entered in the ASD20 lottery for possible assignment to The Classical Academy.
 - ASD20 lottery drawings are held 60 days and 14 days before the beginning of each season – fall, winter, and spring.
 - ASD20 lottery drawings for co-curricular activities (band and choir) are 60 days prior and 14 days prior to the first day of school at TCA Junior High or TCA High School.
 - A student will only be included in the drawing closest to the date of their submission if entered prior to the drawing date.
 - If the number of such requests is greater than the number of assignment spots available for the desired activity/sport, the district executive secretary will conduct lottery drawings to determine assignment to desired activity/sport at TCA. TCA shall not receive an assignment for an activity/sport that will result in TCA receiving three assignments more than any other high school in ASD20. Only CP students are considered for CHSAA assignments to TCA. If a student requests to participate in a activity/sport at TCA and is not granted the request, then the student is assigned through the ASD20 assignment process.
 - For more information click here: [ASD20 Policy IGDJ-R](#) and [ASD20 Policy IGDJ-E](#).
- ❖ The student must meet all ASD20 and TCA participation requirements and registration timelines. For co-curricular activities (band and choir) the student must be able to commit to the existing class schedules and course requirements, including required practices.

Secondary Non-CHSAA Activities

- ❖ TCA High School non-CHSAA regulated TCA school-sponsored activities, such as theatre, are available to CP students. CP students must meet the same qualifications and tryout requirements as TCA High School students.
- ❖ If TCA High School will be doing a theatre production that includes the tryouts of younger students (grades K-8), students from CSP/CP (Grades 7-8), TCA Elementary, and TCA Junior High may try out. All students must meet the same qualifications and tryout requirements.
- ❖ There are **no** past participation or sibling rights for non-CHSAA activities.

Athletic Camps or Clinics (grades K-8)

Any student (TCA or non-TCA) may participate in athletic camps or clinics offered by the TCA Athletics/Activities office for grades K-8. Parents can sign up students on the TCA website.

Enrollment Requirements

- ❖ **CHSAA Athletics or Activities:** In order for a CP student to submit a Request for Participation form to ASD20 to participate in any CHSAA secondary athletics or activities at TCA Junior High or TCA High School, the student must have a primary enrollment at CP. Being on the waitlist does not qualify as enrollment. Once the student is assigned by ASD20, the executive secretary sets up the student for a secondary enrollment at either TCA Junior High or TCA High School. Then, if need be, the student can try out for the team or activity. A CP student cannot try out for CHSAA secondary athletics or activities unless there is a secondary enrollment set up in Infinite Campus.
- ❖ **Non-CHSAA:** In order for a TCA student to try out for a TCA High School theatre production, a non-CHSAA activity, the student must have a current primary enrollment at any TCA school. If a student transfers to a non-TCA school during a production, the student may no longer participate as of the date of the transfer. The Registrar's Office will confirm a student's primary enrollment prior to the student trying out. TCA High School will give the Registrar Office a list of students selected for the production.

Application Process for Each Activity

School	Activity/Sport	CHSAA Activity	ASD20 Request for Participation Process	Tryouts	Additional Requirements	Whom to Contact First
Junior High	Athletics	Yes	Yes	Maybe		ASD20 Request for Participation Form*
Junior High	Band or Choir	Yes	Yes	No	Student must be able to attend daily scheduled class and meet all class requirements.	ASD20 Request for Participation Form*
High School	Athletics	Yes	Yes	Maybe		ASD20 Request for Participation Form*
High School	Band or Choir	Yes	Yes	Yes	Student must be able to attend daily scheduled class and meet all class requirements.	ASD20 Request for Participation Form*
High School	Color Guard	Yes	Yes	Maybe		ASD20 Request for Participation Form*

School	Activity	CHSAA Activity	ASD20 Lottery	Tryouts	Additional Requirements	Whom to Contact First
High School	Speech and Debate	Yes	Yes	Maybe		ASD20 Request for Participation Form*
High School	Theatre	No	No	Yes		TCA High School Office
	Athletics/ Activities Clinics and Camps	No	No	No		Sign up on TCA website.

* If the activity requires an ASD20 Request for Participation form, it must be filled out annually.

TCA accepts ASD20 Policies IGDJ, IGDJ-R, and IGDJ-E and those three policies supersede this Policy IGDJ-TCA-CP/CSP.

Cross References:

- C.R.S. § 22-32-116.5 Extracurricular and interscholastic activities
- C.R.S. § 22-32-104.5 (6)(b)(I) Home-based education
- CHSAA bylaws
- ASD20 IGDJ High School Athletic Programs
- ASD20 IGDJ-R Assignment of Athletes to Schools for Participation
- ASD20 IGDJ-E High School Athletic Program – Assignment Flowchart
- JJA-TCA Student Organizations
- JJA-R-TCA Student Organizations Procedures

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