

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT DONATION INFORMATION

Santa Cruz City Schools' athletic program is offered free of charge to all students. As a result of the downturn in the economy, the athletic program has suffered deep budget cuts in recent years. Each team is now fully responsible for the costs of uniforms, equipment, tournament fees, and much more. The projected cost associated with the planned activities for the school year will be presented at scheduled parent and team meetings. It is estimated that two thirds of the students at each site will directly benefit from participating in athletics.

In order to support and continue to have an athletic program, the anticipated cost of participating in athletics would be funded by means of fundraising or through voluntary donations. The actual cost per athlete to organize and manage a team are available at scheduled parent and team meetings held prior to the start of the season's activities.

Student participation is in the sport is NOT based on the donation made, and is NOT required to participate in any school sport. If a team does not raise the funds needed to cover all of its expenses - either through voluntary donations or fundraising – the team will not be allowed to operate or it shall have to modify and scale back on its activities.

Each team must complete an annual budget to show it has adequate resources to operate. District policy requires all teams to remain in good financial standing.

Your donation is tax deductible as a charitable contribution to an educational organization, as defined by the Internal Revenue Code Sections 170(a) and (b)(1)(A)(ii).