

## **KLAA Cooperative Program Criteria**

The following criteria was created to determine if a school(s) requesting to be a cooperative program in a certain sport should be approved to compete in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

1. Does the KLAA School need a cooperative program to be able to offer this sport at their school?
2. Is one of the schools requesting to be a cooperative program outside the KLAA? If so, does the KLAA school requesting the cooperative program have enough participants to be able to have a team of their own?
3. If a Cooperative program is approved a school should continue to make every effort to continue to grow so that it may be a stay alone program in the future.

Per the MHSAA:

Applications for cooperative programs will be submitted to the MHSAA Executive Committee for approval. Among the criteria to be considered are:

1. Lack of numbers of students to support a program.
2. Lack of qualified staff to coach.
3. Lack of facilities.
4. Evidence of a desire to increase opportunities for participation in new programs, not win/loss records of existing programs.

Cooperative arrangements should be sought only in sports where opportunities are limited and it is not anticipated that students will be “cut” from the squad.

Cooperative agreements are not intended for a single participant for a year or two but for a significant group of students for several years.