Appendix B

Alexandria Public Schools
Criteria for Entering Cooperative Sponsorships

The following criteria will be used in making the decision regarding whether Alexandria Public Schools will enter into a cooperative sponsorship with another school or schools:

1. That no higher MSHSL team classification will result due to the cooperative sponsorship.
2. That Alexandria will be the team name with no identification of the other school or schools.
3. That the number of participants does not jeopardize the safety of participants and that no additional coaches or advisors will need to be added.
4. That there will be no additional financial impact on Alexandria Public Schools.
   - The other school[s] or individuals will pay the participation fee for the activity.
   - The other school[s] or individuals will pay ½ of the cost of programs minus revenue per participant. The number will be based on calculations from the previous year.
5. That transportation to practice and bus departure locations are not the responsibility of Alexandria Public Schools.
6. That communications channels are in place and easily accessible.
7. That the other school(s) must join the MSHSL and complete proper paperwork and pay mandated fees.
   - The other school[s] will pay fee to join the MSHSL (currently $100).
   - The other school[s] will pay fee for each activity that is cooperatively sponsored, to the MSHSL (currently $90).
8. That MSHSL/Alexandria Public Schools eligibility requirements and policies will be followed [i.e., alcohol, tobacco, physicals, immunizations, forms, fees, team rules, etc.].
9. If a cooperative is proposed with a school outside the district boundaries, the displacement of district students will be a major consideration in the decision.

Due to short timelines needed for MSHSL approval, the practice has been that the Superintendent is designated by the Alexandria Public Schools School Board to approve these cooperative sponsorships. If concerns arise on specific Cooperative Sponsorships, the Curriculum/Policy Committee will review the request. All final cooperative sponsorships will be brought to the full school board.