

Potter County Athletics

Cooperative Agreement

~~2024-2025~~ 2025-2026



Gettysburg School District 53-1

Hoven School District 53-2

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Gettysburg School District 53-1 &
Hoven School District 53-2
All Sports Coop Agreement



A. General District Agreements

1. This document is a mutual and cooperative agreement between the Gettysburg School District 53-1 and the Hoven School District 53-2 for all sports and athletics sanctioned by the South Dakota High School Activities Association (SDHSAA).
2. ~~The school districts agree to each having an Athletic Director with one from each school district.~~ The Gettysburg School District will hire the Athletic Director for the Coop. The Athletic Directors will be responsible for managing home events and will work cooperatively to schedule practices, activities, officials, and travel to events. The Athletic Director's' salaries will be part of the cost sharing as spelled out in this agreement. The Athletic Director will communicate with the Hoven transportation director/administrator, who will arrange all travel for Hoven athletes.
- ~~3. Contracts for the employment of all coaches will be offered by the Gettysburg School District, with the approval of administrators from both school districts. No coach should be interviewed, hired, or terminated without the involvement and mutual agreement of both school districts athletic directors and superintendents.~~
- 3.
4. Coaches in the Co-op are encouraged to become members of the SDHSCA with membership dues reimbursed by the Coop.
5. The Co-op colors are red and gray, and the mascot is the armored knight as approved by both schools in 2012-2013.
6. Co-op team name will be "Potter County Battlers" as approved by both schools in 2012-2013.

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~~6.7. In the event that the Co-op dissolves, the Gettysburg School District reserves the right to retain the name, mascot, and team colors if they choose.~~

~~7.8. Gettysburg and Hoven School District representatives will meet as a committee on an bi-annual basis in the Spring to discuss additions/corrections to the current agreement. Membership on the committee will include from both districts the athletic director, superintendent, and school board presidents or designee. Committee members from both school boards, the AD, and School Administrators from both schools will make up the Co-op Board.~~

~~8. The cooperative will adopt athletic schedules mutually agreed upon by the athletics directors from both schools. This will include junior high.~~

9. One uniform set of year around training rules and academic eligibility criteria will be put in place for the cooperative.

10. Busing to practices will be the responsibility of each school and *WILL NOT* be included in the cooperative's overall expenses. ~~Gettysburg's travel bus will be used to transport varsity teams whenever possible.~~ Busing to games will be included in the cooperative's overall costs. ~~Busing to other game sites for lower-level games will be determined by the AD's.~~

11. Cost breakdown for the cooperative will be 2/3's Gettysburg and 1/3 Hoven for all sports-related costs. These costs will be compiled at all levels (Varsity, JV, junior high) and include:

- a. Athletic director ~~salaries~~salary
- b. Coaches' salaries
- c. Uniform costs
- d. Supplies
- e. Game travel
- f. Entry fees

~~g. Any other sports-related costs~~

~~h. Business Managers fees~~

~~g.i. Officials~~

12. All practices, games, and events will be hosted at Gettysburg School District, unless the Hoven gym is needed for overflow. The Athletic Director will communicate with Hoven administration to confirm the facility is available. Gate

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~~revenues and~~ Season tickets sales will be applied to the combined sports cost for the cooperative. ~~Admission prices and season tickets sales will be the same at all venues.~~ Gate revenues will remain with host site.

~~13. Teams will practice as one team with coaches scheduling practices. This will be done to encourage the "one team" concept.~~

~~14.~~ 13. Cheerleading--Girls from both schools are encouraged to try out for the cheerleading squad each year. Successful candidates will be required to attend a team camp during the summer and will need to purchase shoes and possible other attire as directed. They must attend all practices as required.

B. Co-Op Practices

~~Practices will be scheduled by the AD's and coaches in the best interest of the teams. These general practice guidelines will apply.~~

1. Football

~~a. There will be a total of three weeks of practice in Hoven. The remaining practice dates will be in Gettysburg. The week of practice prior to the game in Hoven will be held in Hoven.~~

2. Volleyball

~~a. Practices will be held as equitably as possible in Gettysburg and Hoven~~

3. Cross-Country

~~a. Practices will be held as equitably as possible in Gettysburg and Hoven~~

4. Boys' and Girls' Basketball

~~a. Practices will be held as equitably as possible in Gettysburg and Hoven~~

5. Wrestling

~~a. All practices will be held in Gettysburg~~

~~6. Track~~

- a. All practices will be held in Gettysburg
- b. For any given practice, roadwork and conditioning may be done in both Gettysburg and Hoven with the head coach deciding the practice schedule

~~7. Golf~~

- a. All practices will be held in Gettysburg

~~8. Grades 6-8 Practices~~

- a. will be determined based on the availability of gym space in Gettysburg and Hoven and practices will be determined prior to the beginning of the season

C. Co-Op Games

The following outlines the number of games, matches, or meets held at each site:

~~1. Football~~

- a. Three (3) regular season games in Gettysburg and one (1) regular season game in Hoven
- b. One junior high game/jamboree and one junior Varsity game/jamboree to be held in Hoven

~~2. Volleyball~~

- a. $\frac{2}{3}$ (66%) of the games will be held in Gettysburg and $\frac{1}{3}$ (33%) of the games in Hoven
- b. If there are eight home games on the schedule, then there will be five games in Gettysburg and three in Hoven

~~3. Cross-Country~~

- a. Hoven will have at least one meet on the schedule with the remaining meets as allowed by schedule to be hosted in Gettysburg

~~4. Boys' and Girls' Basketball~~

- a. $\frac{2}{3}$ (66%) of the games will be held in Gettysburg and $\frac{1}{3}$ (33%) of the games in Hoven

~~b. If there are eight home games on the schedule, then there will be five games in Gettysburg and three in Hoven~~

~~5. Wrestling~~

~~a. All wrestling meets will be held in Gettysburg~~

~~b. If there is more than one quadrangular, triangular, or dual one will be held in Hoven~~

~~6. Track~~

~~a. All track meets will be held in Gettysburg~~

~~7. Golf~~

~~a. All golf meets will be held in Gettysburg~~

School District Administrative Signatures

This document was approved by both school districts in the month of July 2024 and presented in front of the school boards of both Gettysburg and Hoven as a mutual agreement for the 2024-2025 school year.

Hoven Athletic Director

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Hoven Superintendent

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Hoven School Board President

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