

NDHSAA Coop Application

Please review coop guidelines prior to beginning the application process.

This single form is to be used by all schools involved in this cooperative sponsorship application. This application will be accepted and presented to the NDHSAA Board of Directors only upon all schools entering the required information. Each school must provide an official signature. Separate applications must be used for gender specific athletics. Fine arts are not gender specific.

*• NO FEE - SUBMITTED
Prior to END OF
Season
• NO OTHER COOPS
IN-FOCUS*

If approved, this coop would begin in school year: 2022-2023

Grades involved with this application: Please check one. (7-8) (7-12) (9-12)

Name of schools involved in this application: Host school must be listed first.

Enrollments for grades involved

1. <u>Rolla</u>	7-8 <u>44</u>	7-12 <u>105</u>	9-12 <u>61</u>
2. <u>Rolette</u>	7-8 <u>28</u>	7-12 <u>85</u>	9-12 <u>57</u>
3. _____	7-8 _____	7-12 _____	9-12 _____
4. _____	7-8 _____	7-12 _____	9-12 _____
5. _____	7-8 _____	7-12 _____	9-12 _____

Activity covered by this application: Girls' Basketball (ex: girls' basketball, speech etc.)

List official coop name: North Prairie Mascot or nickname: Cougars

(Coop name and mascot must be the same as other coops if the same schools are involved.)

Fill in the current participation numbers for each grade for each school involved: Indicate if you did not sponsor (DNS) this activity the previous year. Boys and girls enrollments are combined only for fine arts.

School #1: (7-8) <u>7</u>	(7-12) <u>17</u>	(9-12) <u>10</u>	DNS _____
School #2: (7-8) <u>6</u>	(7-12) <u>16</u>	(9-12) <u>10</u>	DNS _____
School #3: (7-8) _____	(7-12) _____	(9-12) _____	DNS _____
School #4: (7-8) _____	(7-12) _____	(9-12) _____	DNS _____
School #5: (7-8) _____	(7-12) _____	(9-12) _____	DNS _____

Fill in next year's projected participation numbers for each grade for each school involved: Boys and girls enrollments may be combined for fine arts only.

School #1: (7-8) <u>7</u>	(7-12) <u>21</u>	(9-12) <u>14</u>
School #2: (7-8) <u>8</u>	(7-12) <u>20</u>	(9-12) <u>12</u>
School #3: (7-8) _____	(7-12) _____	(9-12) _____
School #4: (7-8) _____	(7-12) _____	(9-12) _____
School #5: (7-8) _____	(7-12) _____	(9-12) _____

In the space provided, please list the reasons for requesting this coop application:

With decreasing enrollments at both of our schools it is becoming more and more difficult to field age-appropriate teams for our extra-curricular activities. We have had to move elementary players up to fill junior high teams and have had to move up 8th graders to fill JV teams. Rolla and Rolette are already co-oped in football, baseball, wrestling, and golf, and those co-ops have worked very well. We are looking to give our athletes the opportunity to compete at the level they should be playing at. Most of the elementary and junior high players we have pulled up to fill teams have not been ready physically or mentally to play at the upper levels they have been asked to participate on. There is a very good chance that Rolla will not be able to field a JV BBB team this season and in the future unless 8th graders who are not ready for JV competition are moved up.

If approved, will this coop affect other schools: please circle: (Yes) **(No)** If yes, how? _____

Is this the nearest opportunity for schools to coop? please circle: (Yes) **(No)**
If No, Please indicate why closer school(s) are not included in this application.

For Rolla, St. John would be closer than Rolette, but they already are able to fill all of their teams and have an abundance of players in VB, GBB, BBB. Since we are already co-oped in other sports with Rolette, it is a natural fit for us to add these other sports to our co-op.

Has displacement of student been considered by each school? **(Yes)** (No)

Is the reason for this application to improve competition levels or make participation available. Explain:

This application is to make participation available for our athletes and at age-appropriate levels.

Other information that be useful for the NDHSAA Board of Directors in reaching a decision:

Required Signatures:

School #1: [Signature] Superintendent. Date: 9-3-21

School #2: [Signature] Superintendent. Date: 10/28/2021

School #3: _____ Superintendent. Date: _____

School #4 _____ Superintendent. Date: _____

School #5 _____ Superintendent. Date: _____

NDHSAA Board Action: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____