

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 FEZ REFERENCES
- NO COOPS IN FORCE*

If approved, this coop would begin in school year: 2026-2027

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

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| 1. | _KINDRED HIGH SCHOOL_ | 7-8 | 7-12 | <u>403</u> | 9-12 |
| 2. | _RICHLAND HIGH SCHOOL_ | 7-8 | 7-12 | <u>137</u> | 9-12 |
| 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 WRESTLING (ex: girls' basketball, speech etc.)

List official coop name: KINDRED Mascot or nickname: VIKINGS
(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.

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| School #1: | (7-8) | (7-12) | (9-12) | DNS |
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| School #2: | (7-8) | (7-12) | (9-12) | DNS |
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| 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.

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| School #2: | (7-8) | (7-12) | (9-12) | |
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| 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:

Richland and Kindred already have a contract for hire for wrestling where the students of both schools compete against each other in practice daily. Richland is seeking to start expanding the wrestling culture and participation in the sport but are lacking facilities and resources so they would like to have their students participate in a close by, established wrestling program.

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.

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:

Richland, until 2025-2026, did not have an established wrestling program but want to make participation available to those in their school. In missing the deadline for this season we entered into a contract for hire to allow the students to participate and grow the sport. We are seeking to make Richland athletes a more permanent part of the Kindred wrestling program to help grow their participation.

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

Required Signatures:

School #1: *[Signature]* Superintendent. Date: 1/15/24

* School #2: *Britney Gardli* Superintendent. Date: 1/15/26

School #3: _____ Superintendent. Date: _____

School #4 _____ Superintendent. Date: _____

School #5 _____ Superintendent. Date: _____

NDHSAA Board Action: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____