



MANDAN  
CLASSICAL SCHOOLS

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Board of Directors  
North Dakota High School Association  
PO Box 817  
Valley City, ND 58072

**Dear NDHSAA Board,**

I am writing this letter as an application for membership for the Mandan Classical Academy, of the Mandan Classical Schools, in the NDHSAA. The Mandan Classical Academy has been working with NDDPI and, after receiving an extension deadline of June 1st, has submitted all documentation for approval as a nonpublic school in North Dakota. In light of our status, we humbly request to have our information submitted to you before your June 10<sup>th</sup> board meeting. This will give us necessary time to finalize our agreements and receive our approval status.

As we start a small, 6-12 grade, secondary school in Mandan, we are in conversation to create cooperative agreements with local schools. We want to offer our students the opportunity to play competitive sports through the NDHSAA while we are still too small to host our own teams. We have been working with Mandan Public School and Light of Christ schools in Bismarck to set up these potential cooperative agreements.

Thank you for your help, and for all you do for students in this area. We appreciate your consideration and are grateful for the opportunity to become a member school.

**Respectfully,**

**Thomas Hoopes**

***Mandan Classical Academy***

***Headmaster***