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## Britton Deerfield Schools

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Britton Deerfield Families,

I am writing to provide information for you about the district's Pay-to-Participate Program. Athletics are a huge part of public schools! As popular and worthwhile as they are, they can also be very costly. On average, Britton Deerfield spends approximately \$220,000 each year on athletics. The Pay-to-Participate Program is implemented each year to help off-set costs relating to athletics and their effect on the district's general fund—specifically, the cost of our Athletic Trainer. This individual is very important for the Britton Deerfield District and for the safety and well-being of our athletes.

I am attaching the Pay-to-Participate information. This form must be completed for each sport a student athlete participates in. The form and the money are due to the team coach or athletic director **before the first athletic contest for that sport.**

It is very important to our administrative team and to our Board of Education that families understand—we do NOT want children to be unable to participate in programs because of this cost. If your family is unable to afford paying, please see Mr. Johnson. We have ways in which monies can be earned for your child—such as working the concession stand for athletic contests! We will continue to work cooperatively with the school, the athletic boosters and anonymous donors to ensure ALL children have the opportunity to participate in educational athletics.

I am thankful for your continued support of educational athletics here in Britton Deerfield Schools. We would not be where we are today in education or athletics without the help of our BD families. Should you have any questions pertaining to the Pay-to-Participate program, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

*Stacy L. Johnson*

Mrs. Stacy Johnson  
Superintendent  
Britton Deerfield Schools