

Louisville Saints Homeschool Athletics (LKY) Eligibility Guidelines

These eligibility guidelines will go into effect on June 1, 2024. All athletes must be in compliance with the items below to compete with LKY. Additionally, any athletes who try out and are offered a rostered spot must agree to all LKY waivers, including Statement of Faith acknowledgement. If you have questions, please reach out to the LKY AD or the specific Program Director (emails below).

LKY Eligibility Requirements (to compete at the high school level):		<u>Archery</u>	<u>Baseball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Soccer</u>	<u>Softball</u>	<u>Volleyball</u>
<i>The following requirements apply to all athletes who compete with LKY at the high school level in any sport. For questions, you may reach out to lkyathleticdirector@gmail.com or a specific program director.</i>		lkyarchery@gmail.com	lkybaseball@gmail.com	lkyboysbasketball@gmail.com	lkygirlsbasketball@gmail.com	lkyfootball@gmail.com	lkysoftball@gmail.com	lkyvolleyball@gmail.com
ACADEMIC and ROLE OF OUTSIDE INSTITUTION		<u>Archery</u>	<u>Baseball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Soccer</u>	<u>Softball</u>	<u>Volleyball</u>
Athlete is in good academic standing and completing a course of study as prescribed by their parents (2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale during active season)	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Must have 51% of education "parent directed" since the beginning of the semester for the current season. Dual credit/enrollment classes are not counted against student. <i>Do not count dual credit classes when calculating 51%.</i>	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
At minimum, athletes must be registered as a homeschooler in their state of residence and plan to have a parent issued transcript. <i>For example, in the state of Kentucky, "registering" would include sending in your Letter of Intent (LOI).</i>	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
May not attend courses at the same co-op, cottage school, and university model for more than 2.5 days per week or more than 15 hours per week.	YES**	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **
Cannot have already participated in a graduation ceremony	YES **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **
9th, 10th, and 11th graders must take at least 3 non-dual enrollment high school classes. 12th graders must take 2.	Sport Specific	Does not apply	Does not apply	Yes	Yes	Does not apply	Does not apply	Yes
Note: "Learning at home does not necessarily equate to being home schooled. A student may be able to learn at home through an online school with online teachers, which would not be considered parent/guardian directed home school." - NCAA								
DEMOGRAPHIC		<u>Archery</u>	<u>Baseball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Soccer</u>	<u>Softball</u>	<u>Volleyball</u>
Athlete age is Below 19 as of August 1 of beginning school year	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Athlete age is 13 or older as of August 1 of beginning school year	Sport Specific	No minimum age	Yes	No minimum age	No minimum age	Yes	Yes	No minimum age
Athlete lives at home with parent or legal guardian within 100 miles of Home Court/Field	YES **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **
Athlete cannot be married	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Athlete competes as same gender as biological sex and assigned at birth	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
OTHER		<u>Archery</u>	<u>Baseball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Soccer</u>	<u>Softball</u>	<u>Volleyball</u>
Athlete has not been expelled from public or private school during the academic school year. If student was expelled in prior academic year, student must request hardship waiver from LKY Executive Board.	YES **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **
Athlete is in good standing with respect to character and behavior according to parents, coaches, and other team leaders	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Athlete has no prior criminal convictions and is not currently facing any pending criminal legal charges	YES **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **
Athlete cannot be added to roster after the first game of the season	Sport Specific	Does not apply	Needs Program Director approval	NCHC Waiver and Program Director Approval Required	NCHC Waiver and Program Director Approval Required	Needs Program Director approval	Needs Program Director approval	NCHC Waiver and Program Director Approval Required
Athlete can only play maximum of 5 years of high school in the sport	Sport Specific	Does not apply	Yes (beginning with class of 2029)	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply
Athlete in high school cannot play on another homeschool, public, or private school team in the same sport at the same time while playing on an LKY team.	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
TRANSFER and RECLASSIFICATION		<u>Archery</u>	<u>Baseball</u>	<u>Boys Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	<u>Soccer</u>	<u>Softball</u>	<u>Volleyball</u>
Once an LKY athlete competes as a 8th grader, they are no longer allowed to reclassify to another grade, but will continue to progress yearly to the next grade distinction/level. Athletes who transfer from another school or program and competed in athletics as an 8th grader or older may not reclassify but must compete at the next grade level when they join LKY.	YES**	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **	Yes **
Students who have competed at the high school level for another program or school the prior year and desire to transfer to LKY and participate in the same sport must first receive approval from the Program Director prior to being rostered on an LKY team.	YES	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

** Hardship waiver may be requested and reviewed by the LKY Executive Board for items indicated if athlete desires to seek waiver from the specific eligibility requirement due to extenuating circumstances. **

Links to Eligibility Resources

NCAA Eligibility Information (for those interested in playing college sports): https://s3.amazonaws.com/fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/Student_Resources/Home_School_Toolkit.pdf

NCHC Eligibility Information (currently boys basketball, girls basketball, volleyball): <https://www.nchclive.com/guidelines/>

NHSSC Eligibility Information (currently soccer): <https://soccer.sincsports.com/TTContent.aspx?tid=NHSC&tab=3&sub=1&Qual=MISC0012>