

# School Membership Packet

The National Federation of Middle School Sports (NFMSS) is the only national governing body dedicated exclusively to interscholastic athletics for students in grades 6-8. Membership connects your school to a nationwide network of standards, resources, and professional development designed specifically for the middle school athletic environment.

## Why Join NFMSS?

<b>Governance &amp; Compliance</b>	Official handbooks, eligibility policies, sanctioning guides, and compliance infrastructure purpose-built for grades 6-8.
<b>Coach Credentialing</b>	NFMSS Coach Credential (Level 1 & 2) required for all head and assistant coaches before roster eligibility. Includes concussion, SCA, and heat safety modules.
<b>Certified AD Course</b>	6 modules · 24 lessons · 48+ knowledge checks · 10 CEU credits. The only middle school-specific AD certification program in the country.
<b>Athletic Excellence Framework</b>	Five professional development tracks, four credential levels, and school designation tiers that recognize program excellence.
<b>Forms &amp; Downloads Library</b>	Full access to all compliance forms, medical clearance packets, contest contracts, and eligibility verification documents.
<b>National Recognition</b>	Member schools are eligible for NFMSS Good Sportsmanship Recognition, School of Excellence Designation, and postseason championship consideration.

## Membership Tiers

Tier	Who It's For	Annual Fee	Includes
Associate	Independent & charter schools	Contact us	Core compliance library + coach credentialing
Full Member	Public & private middle schools	Contact us	All resources + AD Course + designation eligibility
District Member	School districts (5+ schools)	Contact us	District-wide access + volume pricing

## How to Register Your School

1

Visit [nfmss.org/join](https://nfmss.org/join) and complete the school registration form.

2

Your Athletic Director will receive a confirmation email within 2 business days.

3

Upon approval, your school portal opens — coaches may begin credentialing immediately.

4

Submit your first season roster through the member portal to activate full compliance standing.

**Ready to register?**

[nfmss.org/join](https://nfmss.org/join)

Questions?

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