Memorandum of Understanding
Between
The Newfound Area School Board
(Newfound Area School District)
And
The Pasquaney School Board
(Pasquaney School District)

## Overview:

It is the intent of this memorandum of understanding to outline and identify processes and procedures associated with the participation of grade students attending Bridgewater-Hebron Village School ("BHVS") in athletic and co-curricular programming at Newfound Memorial Middle School.

## Background:

The Pasquaney School District currently has a 3-year tuition agreement with the Newfound Area School District for students in the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. This agreement will go into effect during the 2025- 2026 school year and will expire at the end of the 2027-2028 school year.

It is currently anticipated that students who reside in Bridgewater, Hebron, and Groton will attend the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade during the 2025-2026 school year, and that each year thereafter a grade (7<sup>th</sup>, then 8<sup>th</sup>) will be added at BHVS.

This memorandum of understanding will provide the opportunity for students who attend the Bridgewater Hebron Village School to participate in athletics and some co-curricular programming at Newfound Memorial Middle School during their 6<sup>th</sup> grade year in 2025-2026, with successive grades (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) being added each year thereafter, . This agreement will go into effect for the 2025-2026 school year and will expire upon any termination of the Tuition Agreement between the two districts, unless terminated prior to this time by either party.

## **Guidelines for implementation:**

Only students attending the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School, residing in Bridgewater, Hebron, and Groton, and enrolled in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup> grade or 8<sup>th</sup> grade as a full-time student, may participate in athletic and co-curricular programming at Newfound Memorial Middle School.

6<sup>th</sup> grade, and then 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in successive years are eligible to try out for any athletic sport that is available to the corresponding <sup>grade</sup> for Newfound students as well as some select after-school co-curricular programs. For purposes of this agreement the select after-school co-curricular programs include the drama program, robotics, and Technology Students Association.

The Pasquaney School Board will be responsible for all payments necessary for the application of this Memorandum of Understanding. The Newfound Area School Board has agreed to allow students to participate, as outlined above, for the cost of \$200 per student, per season/sport/activity. This cost covers uniforms, transportation, coaches, officials, supplies, fees, and other related costs. This fee will increase no more than 2% each year of this agreement.

The Pasquaney School Board is responsible for all transportation to Newfound Memorial Middle School for all practices, meetings, events, and all games. Pasquaney students will be expected to take all district transportation to and from games. It is expected that Pasquaney students will arrive on time for all practices, meetings, events, and all games. The coach, advisor, administration, and/or athletic director will work with the Pasquaney School District to ensure that all parties are aware of practice, meetings, events, and game times. Behavioral and academic standards for Pasquaney students to participate in Newfound Memorial Middle School athletics and co-curricular programming shall be the same as those set by the policies of the

Newfound Area School Board. Behavioral and Academic Standards can be found in the Athletic Handbook and the Student/Parent Handbook of Newfound Memorial Middle School.

All requirements (such as physicals, sign up information, proof of insurance, and timelines) shall be the same as outlined in the Athletic Handbook and Student/Parent Handbook of Newfound Memorial Middle School. Newfound Memorial Middle School shall provide timelines and sign up information to the Pasquaney School District in a timely manner. It will be the responsibility of the Pasquaney School District to provide this information directly to students and parents.

The Newfound Area School Board shall submit billing to the Pasquaney School Board at the conclusion of each season of athletics (Fall, Winter, Spring).

Chair Newfound Area School Board/Date	

Chair Pasquaney School Board/Date